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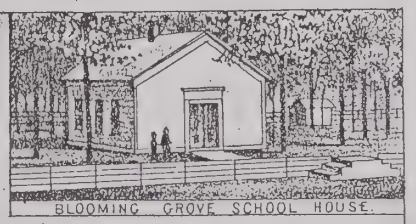

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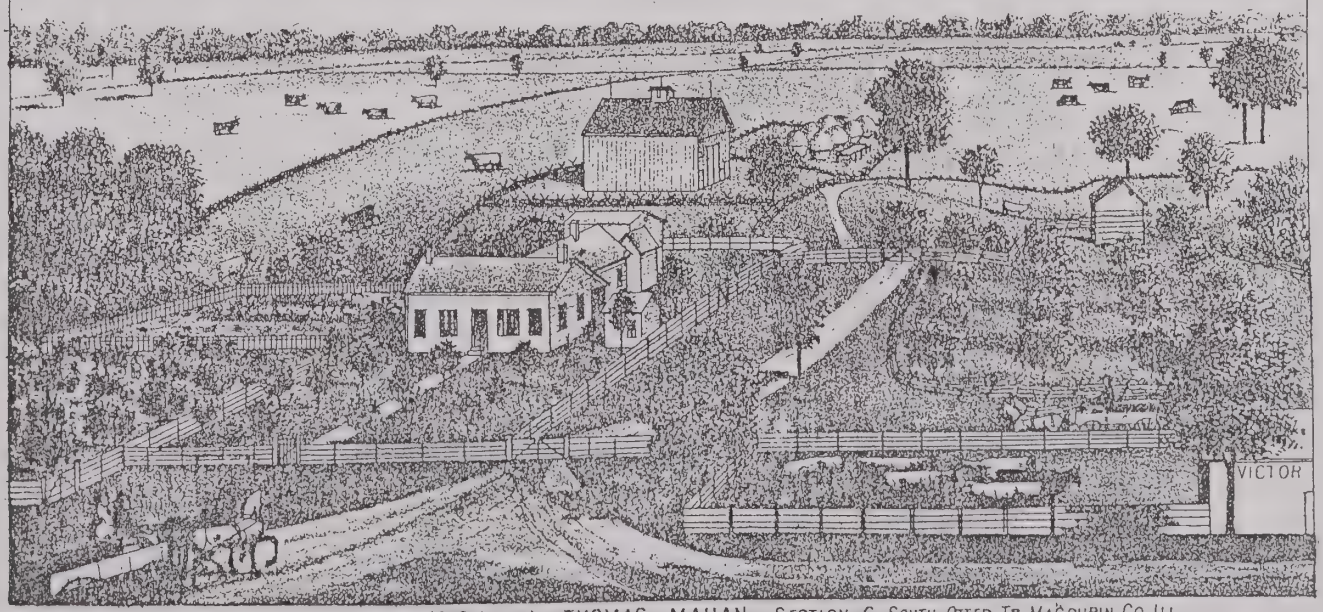

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NAME	P. OFFICE.	RESID.	OCCUPATION.	NATIVITY.	C'ME TO C.
Bainum, Rev. G. W.	B'nk'r Hill	B'r H.	Pastor Congregational Ch	Noble Co. Ohio	1872
Bainum, Mrs. Mary E.	"	"	Wife of R'v.G.W.Bainum	Calvert Co. Md.	1872
Breden, John F.	"	Sec. 15	Farmer and Stock Raiser	Macoup. Co. Ill.	1837
Brown, Mrs. Sarah A.	Woodburn	6	Farmer and Stock Raiser	Otsego Co. N. Y.	1846
Brown, Daniel T.	Died May 29, 1873		Late husband of Mrs. S. A. Brown	Rensselaer Co. N.Y.	1846
Burton, Edward	B'nk'r Hill	B'r H.	Gen. Dry Goods Merch't	Vt.	1838
Burton, Mrs. Mary	"	"	Wife of E. Burton	N. J	1852
Benner, J. G.	Woodburn	Sec. 20	Farmer and Stock Raiser	Germany	1864
Benner, Mrs. Cha'lteW	"	20	Wife of J. G. Benner	Prussia	1864
Baker, George	B'nk'r Hill	B'r H.	General Blacksmithing	England	1854
Baker, Mrs. Eliza'th J.	"	"	Wife of G. Baker	"	1851
Baird, William	"	Sec. 21	Farmer and Stock Raiser	Crit'den Co. Ky.	1845
Baird, Mrs. Abigail	"	21	Wife of Wm. Baird	Macoup. Co. Ill.	1831
Baker, Charles	"	B'r H.	Gen'l Blacksmithing & repair shop	England	1857
Baker, Mrs. Elizabeth	"	"	Wife of C. Baker	"	1857
Cummings, J. F.	"	Sec. 13	Real Estate & Loan Agt. & Not. Pub.	N'w Hampshire	1855
Cummiskey, W. H.	Woodburn	8	Farmer and Stock Raiser	St. Louis, Mo.	1872
Cummiskey, Mrs. M. A	"	8	Wife of W. H. Cummiskey	Macoup. Co. Ill.	1853
Carter, Mrs. Sarah B.	B'nk'r Hill	13	Retired.	Somers't Co. N.J.	1840
Carter, Aaron F.	Died Oct. 23, 1870		Late hus. of Mrs. S. B. C.	Morris Co. N. J.	1840
Cromwell, Richard	B'nk'r Hill	B'r H.	Retired Farmer	Wash'n Co. Md.	1842
Cromwell, Mrs. Caroline	"	"	Wife of R. Cromwell	Fred'k Co. Md.	1842
Chamberlain, W. H.	"	Sec. 11	Farmer & Stock Raiser & Dairyman	Madison Co. Ill.	1866
Chamberlain, Mrs. W. J	"	"	Wife of W. H. Chamb'n	Delaware [Co., O.	1866
Camp, Isaac W.	"	B'r H.	Watchmaker & Jeweler	Ashtabula, Wayne	1858
Camp, Mary N.	"	"	Wife of I. W. Camp	Macoup. Co. Ill.	1845
Dorsey, P. H.	"	"	Dealer and Breeder in fine horses	Jefferson Co. Ky	1854
Dorsey, Mrs. Olivia	"	"	Wife of P. H. Dorsey	Wash'gton D. C.	1856
Delano, J. A.	"	"	Druggist and Apothecary	Worc'tr Co Mas	1841
Delano, Mrs. A. W.	"	"	Wife of J. A. Delano	Duch'a Co. N. Y.	1858
Duffy, A.	"	"	Prop. Wood River Coal Mine	Ireland	1860
Duffy, Mrs. Margaret	"	"	Wife of A. Duffy	"	1860
Thomas Carroll	"	"	Prop. Wood River Coal Mine	England	1860
Duncan, E. B.	"	"	House Painter and Deputy Sheriff	Sulliv. Co. Tenn.	1866
Duncan, Mrs. Eliz'bth	"	"	Wife of E. B. Duncan	"	1866
Davis, Eli	Woodburn	Sec. 30	Farmer and Stock Raiser	Macoup. Co. Ill.	1831
Davis, Mrs. Malina	"	30	Wife of E. Davis	Tenn.	1831
Dodson, Elijah T.	"	W'b'n.	Wagon Maker	Macoup. Co. Ill.	1844
Dodson, Mrs. Sarah	"	"	Wife of E. T. Dodson	Ky.	1848
Davis, Edward H.	B'nk'r Hill	Sec. 14	Farmer	Concord, N. H.	1839
Davis, Mrs. Jane H.	"	14	Wife of E. H. Davis	Hunc'k Co. N.H	1838
Davis, Benj.	Died June 12, 1867		Was a Magnetic Physician & Farmer	White Co. Tenn.	1830
Davis, Mrs. Eleanor	Woodburn	Sec. 19	Widow of Dr. B. Davis	Som'shire, Eng.	1837
Edington, Joseph	"	18	Farmer and Stock Raiser	"	1843
Edington, Mrs Eliz'th	Died Mar. 16, 1870		Late wife of J. Edington	"	1843
Ellet, E. C.	B'nk'r Hill	B'r H.	Physician and Surgeon	Philada., Pa.	1839
Ellet, Mrs. Lydia L.	"	"	Wife of Dr. E. C. Ellet	Mon'th Co. N.J.	1849
Fahrenkrog, William	"	"	Prop'r of Boarding House & Saloon	Germany	1853
Fahrenkrog, Wilhelmina	"	"	Wife of Wm. Fahrenkrog	"	1864
Goodall, W. W.	"	"	Prop. of Cottage Hotel	Buffalo, N. Y.	1871
Goodall, Mrs. Jean A.	"	"	Wife of W. W. Goodall	Scotland	1850
Gillies, John	Woodburn	Sec. 17	Farmer and Trader	Ayrshire, Scot.	1854
Gillies, Mrs. Martha F.	Died Jan. 5, 1874		First wife of J. Gillies	Madison Co. Ill.	
Gillies, Mrs. Mary A.	Woodburn	Sec. 17	Present wife of J. Gillies	Indiana	
Harrel, Edward F.	"	19	Steamboat Mate on Mississippi River	Ky.	1869
Harrel, Mrs. Mary A.	"	19	Wife of E. F. Harrel	Belm't Co. Ohio	1869
Huggins, P. C.	B'nk'r Hill	B'r H.	Pres. B'ker Hill Bank & Ex-Co. Judge	Sulliv. Co. N. H.	1838
Huggins, Mrs. E. F.	"	"	Wife of P. C. Huggins	Conn.	1843
Hayes, E. W.	"	"	Attorney-at-Law.	Frank'n Co. Pa.	1867
Hayes, Mrs. M. F.	"	"	Wife of E. W. Hayes	Cumb'ld Co. Pa.	1870
Hedley, F. Y.	"	"	Post Master	Scotland	1854
Hedley, Mrs. Mary E.	"	"	Wife of F. Y. Hedley	Macoup. Co. Ill.	1846
Harvey, George	"	Sec. 11	Fmr. & Bdr. of "Gold Dust" horses	Medina Co. O.	1862
Harvey, Mrs. Tabitha	"	11	Wife of G. Harvey	Hamilton Co. O.	1862
Houck, Mrs. Lucinda A.	Woodburn	7	Widow of R. Houck	Christ'n Co. Ky.	1846
Houck, Ross	Died Dec. 26, 1867		L'e husb'd of Mrs. L. A. H.	Hunt'on Co. Pa.	1846
Jencks, William O.	B'nk'r Hill	B'r H.	Prop. of Livery, Feed & Sale Stable	Provid'ce, R. I.	1854
Jencks, Mrs. Martha A.	"	"	Wife of W. O. Jencks	Bedford Co. Va.	1856
Larue, Isaiah	Woodburn	Sec. 7	Farmer and Stock Raiser	Indiana	1848
Larue, Annie E.	"	7	Wife of I. Larue	Jersey Co. Ill.	1870
Lancaster, F.	B'nk'r Hill	1	Farmer and Stock Raiser	England	1841
Lancaster, Mrs. Elizab.	"	1	Wife of F. Lancaster	"	1843
Lee, Samuel	"	B'r H.	Billiard Parlor & Saloon	Northamptonshire, Eng	1870
Lee, Mrs. Louisa	"	"	Wife of S. Lee	St. Louis, Mo.	1859
Noel, J. L.	"	"	Prop. Livery, Feed & Sale Stable		
Noel, Mrs. Louisa	"	"	Wife of J. L. Noel	Madison Co. Ill.	1859
New, Rev. W.	"	"	Pastor of Annunciation R. C. M.	Germany	1874
Neil, William	"	"	Prop. of Bunker Hill Coal Mines	Scotland	1871
Neil, Mrs. Sarah	"	"	Wife of W. Neil	England	1871
Pennington, James T.	"	Sec. 9	Farmer and Stock Raiser	New Jersey	1837
Pennington, Mrs. S.	"	9	Wife of J. T. Pennington	"	1839
Payne, J. C.	"	B'r H.	Prop. Monument Liv., Feed & S. Sta.	Fayette Co. Ky.	1844
Payne, Mrs. Eliza	"	"	Wife of J. C. Payne	Tenn.	1851
Pennington, James W.	Woodburn	Sec. 9	Farmer	Macoup. Co. Ill.	1854
Pennington, Mrs. Ann M.	"	9	Wife of J. W. P.	Cass Co. Mo.	1861
Parmenter, Gardiner	B'nk'r Hill	B'r H.	Furnit're dlr. & Undert'kr	Hillsb'h, N. H.	1838
Parmenter, Mrs. Caroline E.	"	"	Wife of G. Parmenter	Grafton "	1856
Parmenter, C. A.	"	Sec. 13	Farmer and Stock Raiser	Hillsb'h "	1841
Parmenter, Mrs. Mary M.	"	13	Wife of C. A. Parmenter	" "	1842
Pettingill, John A.	"	B'r H.	Prop. of Globe Mills	N. H.	1837
Robbins, Wm. E.	"	Sec. 2	Farmer and Stock Raiser	Rochester, N. Y.	1874
Robbins, Mrs. M. J.	"	2	Wife of W. E. Robbins	N. Y.	1875
Ritter, William	"	28	Farmer and Stock Raiser	Pa.	1866
Ritter, Mrs. Dorcas	"	28	Wife of Wm. Ritter	Rosa Co. Ohio	1866
Ridgley, Richard	B'nk'r Hill	B'r H.	Retired	England	1840
Ridgley, Mrs. Mary A.	"	"	Wife of R. Ridgley	Dorch'er, Mass.	1840

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NAME.	P. OFFICE.	RESID.	OCCUPATION.	NATIVITY.	C'ME TO C.
Rumbolz, James B.	Woodburn	W'b'n.	House, Sign & Ornamental Painter	Macoup. Co. Ill.	1845
Rumbolz, Gotlob	Died June 24, 1861		Father of J. B. Rumbolz	Germany	1839
Mrs. Susan G. Hayton	Former wife of		Gotlob R., and mother of J. B. R.	Virginia	1838
Raymond, Paul	Woodburn	Sec. 19	Farmer and Stock Raiser	Som'shire, Eng.	1848
Raymond, Martha T.	"	19	Wife of P. Raymond	Macoup. Co. Ill.	1844
Smalley, Samuel	Woodburn	Sec. 8	Far. & Bdr. of fine horses	Som'set Co. N J.	1841
Smalley, Mrs. Mary D.	"	8	Wife of S. Smalley	Crawford Co. Ill.	1835
Sisson, Jackson	B'nk'r Hill	10	Farmer and Dairyman	Va.	1837
Sisson, Mrs. Nannie C.	"	10	Wife of J. Sisson	Lexington, Ky.	1843
Smalley, Mrs. Hannah M.	"	4	Widow of W. H. Smalley	Oyster Bay, L. I.	1838
Smalley, Wm. Henry	Died Aug. 4, 1870		Late husb'd Mrs H. M. S.	Morris Co. N. J.	1838
Smalley, A. J.	B'nk'r Hill	Sec. 3	Farmer and Stock Raiser	"	1838
Smalley, Mrs. Julia A.	Died Jan. 11, 1871		Late wife of A. J. Smalley	Som'st Co. N. J.	1838
Sanner, S. P.	Shipman	Sec. 6	Farmer and Stock Raiser	Madison Co. Ill.	1862
Sanner, Mrs. N. M.	"	6	Wife of S. P. Sanner	"	1862
Stoldt, August	B'nk'r Hill	15	Far., Thresher & Dairym.	Germany	1854
Stoldt, Mrs. Lena	"	15	Wife of A. Stoldt	"	1851
Sokop, Martin	"	B'r H.	Mfr. of Harness & Saddles	Bohemia	1873
Sokop, Mrs. Emma	"	"	Wife of M. Sokop	Prussia	1873
Wise, Henry.	"	"	Prop. of Custom and Merchant Mill	Wash'n Co. Pa.	1863
Wise, Mrs. Elizabeth	"	"	Wife of Henry Wise	England	
Winchester, E. C.	"	"	Far. & Ex-Co. Surveyor	St. James Parish, La.	1866
Winchester, Mrs. A. C.	"	"	Wife of E. C. Winchester	Ky.	1866
Wood, James E.	Woodburn	Sec. 19	Farmer and Stock Raiser	Cumb'd Co. Ky.	1832
Wood, Mrs. Rosa B.	"	19	Wife of J. E. Wood	St. Clair Co. Ill.	1834
Welch, Richard	"	W'b'n.	General Merchant	England	1857
Welch, Mrs. Grace E.	"	"	Wife of R. Welch	"	1842
Yancey, A. N.	B'nk'r Hill	B'r H.	Attorney-at-Law	Orange Co. Va.	1867
Yancey, Mrs. Belle	"	"	Wife of A. N. Yancey	Louisville, Ky.	1867

SOUTH OTTER,—TOWNSHIP 11 NORTH. RANGE 7 WEST.

Arnett. P. L.	Buford	Sec. 31	Farmer and Stock Raiser	Macoupin Co	Il 1850
Cynthia A. Langley	"	31	Wife of P. L. Arnett	Erie Co. Pa	1854
Adams, J.	Nilwood	15	Farmer and Stock Raiser	Henry Co. Ky	1830
Emeline Peebles	"	15	Wife of J. Adams	Hart Co. Ky	1837
Allen, Wm. P.	"	22	Farmer and Stock Raiser	Greene Co. Ill	1857
Rebecca J. Conlee	"	22	Wife of W. P. Allen	Macoupin Co. Il	1850
Byers, Jacob	Buford	31	Farmer and Stock Raiser	Germany	1868
Byers, Fannie	"	31	Wife of J. Byers	Germany	1868
Bacon, Robert	"	30	Farmer and Stock Raiser	Norfolk, Eng.	1837
Mary A. Miller	"	30	Wife of R. Bacon	Clark Co. Ind	1836
Bacon, Thomas W.	"	30	Farmer	Macoupin Co. Il	1858
Bacon, Thomas	Carlinville	32	Farmer and Stock Raiser	Norfolk, Eng.	1837
Mrs. M. A. Horton	"	32	Wife of Thos. Bacon	Taylor Co. Ky	1875
Mary Hoover	Dec'd Sep. 23, 1877		Late wife of Thos. Bacon	Indiana	1835
Barrow, T. S.	Girard	Sec. 9	Farmer and Stock Raiser	Ky.	1830
Rebecca Edwards	"	9	Wife of T. S. Barrow	Morgan Co. Ill	1842
Cooney, Michael	Carlinville	20	Farmer and Stock Raiser	Ireland	1852
Mary O'Neil	"	20	Wife of M. Cooney	Pa.	1850
Crawford, G. D.	Nilwood	6	Farmer and Stock Raiser	Overton Co. Ten	1832
Nancy M. Bridges	"	6	Wife of G. D. Crawford	Madison Co. Ill	1844
Crawford, Jonathan	Palmyra	6	Farmer and Stock Raiser	Macoupin Co. Il	1847
Adora L. Clages	"	6	Wife of J. Crawford	"	1856
Dix, Charles	Nilwood	12	Farmer and Stock Raiser	Hartford Co	Con 1869
Hellena Davidson	Dec'd Dec. 5, 1878		Late wife of C. Dix	Macoupin Co. Ill.	1853
Davidson, David	Girard	Sec. 11	Farmer and Stock Raiser	Alabama.	1830
Caroline F. Groves	"	11	Wife of D. Davidson	Sangamon Co.	Il 1833
Dufner, John	Nilwood	11	Farmer	Baden, Ger.	1868
Maggie E. Flinn	"	11	Wife of J. Dufner	Tipperary Co.	Ire 1870
Hart, John E.	Palmyra	6	Farmer and Stock Raiser	Macoupin Co.	Il 1855
Sarah M. Cherry	"	6	Wife of J. E. Hart	"	1859
Howard, Martin V.	Nilwood	9	Farmer and Stock Raiser	"	1840
Martha A. Crump	"	9	Wife of M. V. Howard	"	1847
Howard, Henry	Girard	9	Farmer and Blacksmith	"	1844
Eleanor Crump	"	9	Wife of H. Howard	St. Clair Co.	Ky 1843
Hart, John S.	Nilwood	23	Farmer and Stone Mason	Morgan Co. Ill.	1840
Emily Crays	"	23	Wife of J. S. Hart	Sangamon Co.	Il 1833
Johnson, R. Z.	Buford	31	Farmer and Stock Raiser	Clark Co. Ind.	1855
Rebecca J. Wilson	"	31	Wife of R. Z. Johnson	Sullivan Co.	Ind 1856
Jenkins, Wm. H.	Girard	8	Farmer and Stock Raiser	Nelson Co. Ky.	1854
Charity E. Hayes	"	8	Wife of W. H. Jenkins	Macoupin Co.	Il 1859
Lair, Jerry M.	Nilwood	17	Farmer	"	1837
Lair, Elizabeth J.	"	17	Wife of J. M. Lair	"	1841
Mahan, Thomas	Palmyra	6	Farmer and Stock Raiser	Rush Co.	Ind 1850
Sarah Ditson	"	6	Wife of T. Mahan	Macoupin Co.	Il 1843
Pruitt, James M.	Carlinville	32	Farmer and Stock Raiser	Madison Co.	Ill 1855
Laura J. Sinclair	"	32	Wife of J. M. Pruitt	Macoupin Co.	Il 1856
Palmer, William R.	Dec'd Dec. 24, 1859		For. hus. of S. M. Palmer	Ruthf'd Co.	Tenn 1830
Sarah M. Palmer	Nilwood	Sec. 16	Widow of W. R. Palmer	Orange Co.	Ind 1831
Ross, M. H.	"	14	Farmer and Stock Raiser	Sumner Co.	Ten 1830
Nancy A. McMullen	"	14	Wife of M. H. Ross	Shelby Co.	Ky. 1836
Snell, Samuel	"	21	Farmer and Stock Raiser	Jefferson Co.	Ind 1840
Snell, Mary A.	"	21	Wife of S. Snell	Morgan Co.	Ill 1851

NORTH PALMYRA—TOWNSHIP 12 NORTH. RANGE 8 WEST.

Alford, M. T.	Palmyra	Sec. 30	Farmer and Stock Raiser	Sevier Co.	Tenn. 1850
Susan M. Searcy	"	30	Wife of M. T. Alford	Spencer Co.	Ky. 1850
Allyn. R. T.	"	16	Farmer and Stock Raiser	Macoup. Co.	Ill. 1850
E. E. Henderson	"	16	Wife of R. T. Allyn	Morgan Co.	Ill. 1869

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IMPORTANT FACTS ABOUT LAND DESCRIPTIONS

TOWNSHIP SURVEY INFORMATION

DIAGRAM SHOWING HOW SECTIONS ARE NUMBERED IN A TOWNSHIP

6	5	4	3	2	1
7	8	9	10	11	12
18	17	16	15	14	13
19	20	21	22	23	24
30	29	28	27	26	25
31	32	33	34	35	36

FIGURE 6

A CONGRESSIONAL TOWNSHIP CONTAINS 36 SECTIONS OF LAND 1 MILE SQUARE

A CIVIL OR POLITICAL TOWNSHIP MAY BE LARGER OR SMALLER THAN A CONGRESSIONAL TOWNSHIP.

A PRECINCT IS A POLITICAL DIVISION FOR VOTING PURPOSES. A WARD IS A POLITICAL DIVISION FOR VOTING PURPOSES IN A CITY

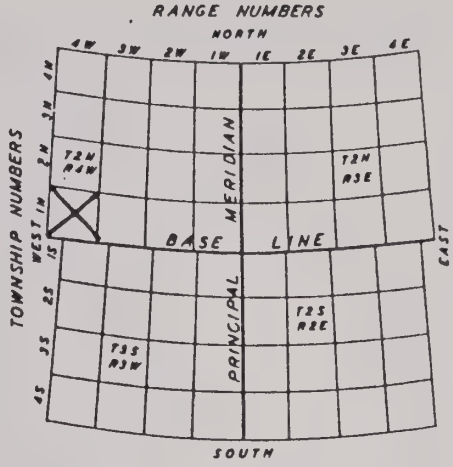

FIGURE 7

TOWNSHIPS

Theoretically, a township is a square tract of land with sides of six miles each, and containing 36 sections of land. Actually this is not the case. Years ago, when the original survey of this state was made by the government engineers, they knew that it was impossible to keep a true north and south direction of township lines, and still keep getting township squares of 36 square miles. As they surveyed toward the north pole, they were constantly running out of land, because the township lines were converging toward the north pole.

If you will turn to one of the township maps in this plat book, you will notice that on the north end on the west of each township, there are divisions of land which show odd acreages. In some townships, these odd acreages are called government lots (because they were given a lot number), and at other times left as FRACTIONAL FORTIES OR EIGHTIES. It was at the option of the original government surveyors as to whether they would call these odd acreages government lots, or fractional forties and eighties.

The reason for these odd acreages is that the government surveyors adjusted for shortages of land which developed as they went north, by making fractional forties, eighties or government lots out of the land on the west side of a township, and the same for the land on the north side of a township to keep east and west lines running parallel. In other words it was impossible to fit full squares into a circle.

Townships sometimes vary in size from the regularly laid-out township. (see figure 6). Suppose that the dotted line in figure 6 is a river separating two counties. The land north and west of the river could be a township in one county, the land south and east could be a township in another county. Which ever county the land is in, it still retains the same section, township and range numbers for purposes of land descriptions.

Each township has a township number and also a range number (sometimes more than one of each if the township is oversized, or a combination of more than one township and range).

Government surveying of townships is run from starting lines called base lines and principal meridians. Each township has a township number. This number is the number of rows or tiers of townships that a township is either north or south of the base line. Also each township has a range number. This number is the number of rows or tiers of townships that a township is either east or west of the principal meridian (See figure 7). EVERY DESCRIPTION OF LAND SHOULD SHOW THE SECTION, TOWNSHIP AND RANGE IT IS LOCATED IN.

TOWNSHIPS MAY BE EITHER NORTH OR SOUTH OF THE BASE LINE.
RANGES MAY BE EITHER EAST OR WEST OF THE PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN.

METES AND BOUNDS DESCRIPTIONS

AND EXPLANATION OF DIRECTION IN TERMS OF DEGREES

WHAT IS A METES AND BOUNDS DESCRIPTION? It is a description of a tract of land by starting at a given point, running so many feet a certain direction, so many feet another direction etc., back to the point of beginning. EXAMPLE: In figure 1 notice the small tract of land outlined. The following would be a typical metes and bounds description of that tract of land. "Begin at the center of the section, thence north 660 feet, thence south 660 feet, thence west 660 feet, back to the point of beginning, and containing 10 acres, being a part of Sec. No. etc."

IMPORTANT: To locate a tract of land from a metes and bounds description, start from the point of beginning and follow it out (do not read it backwards as in the case of a rectangular description).

The small tract of land just located by the above metes and bounds description could also be described as the SW 1-4 SW 1-4 NE 1-4 of the section. In most cases, the same tract of land may be described in different ways. The rectangular system of describing and locating land as shown in figures 2, 3, 4 and 5 is the most simple and almost always used when possible.

A circle contains 360 degrees. Explanation: If you start at the center of a circle and run 360 straight lines an equal angle apart to the edge of the circle, so as to divide the circle into 360 equal parts, THE DIFFERANCE OF DIRECTION BETWEEN EACH LINE IS ONE DEGREE.

In land descriptions, degree readings are not a measure of distance. They are combined with either North or South, to show the direction a line runs from a given point.

HOW TO READ DESCRIPTIONS WHICH SHOW DIRECTIONS IN TERMS OF DEGREES

In figure 8, the north-south line, and the east-west line divide the circle into 4 equal parts, which means that each part contains 90 degrees as shown. Several different direction lines are shown in this diagram, with the number of degrees each varies east or west from the north and south starting points (remember again that all descriptions read from the north or south).

We all know what north-west is. It is a direction which is half-way between North and West. In terms of degrees the direction north-west would read, north 45 degrees west. (See figure 8).

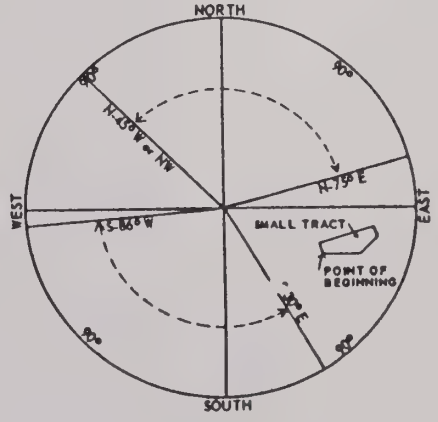

FIGURE 8

EXAMPLE OF A LAND DESCRIPTION IN TERMS OF DEGREES

At this time, study figure 8 for a minute or two.

In figure 8, notice the small tract. The following metes and bound description will locate this small tract. "Begin at the beginning point, thence N 20 degrees west–200 feet, thence N 75 degrees east–1320 feet, thence S 30 degrees east–240 feet, thence S 45 degrees west–420 feet, thence west–900 feet back to the point of beginning, containing so many acres, etc.

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Name of Purchaser	Desc.	Se TN RW	Acres	Da Mon Year	Residence	Page*
ABBOTT, Howard	SWFR	31-09-12	162.24	3 Oct 1854	Madison	1
" Howard	W½SE	31-09-12	80.88	3 Oct 1854	"	"
" Howard	SENW	31-09-12	40.44	3 Oct 1854	"	"
ABERNATHY, James	E½NE	14-11-13	80	19 Dec 1821	St. Clair	"
ABNEY, Charles	NEPRE	31-10-11	160	12 Dec 1835	Greene	"
" Charles	W½SW	30-10-11	80.30	3 Dec 1835	"	"
ACRE, Elizabeth	SWSW	07-09-11	42.07	4 Nov 1833	"	"
ADAMS, Horatio	SWNE	11-10-10	40	4 Oct 1833	"	"
" Horatio	E½SE	03-09-11	80	27 Nov 1830	"	"
" Jacob	NWNW	18-10-10	38.82	10 Sep 1836	"	"
" Jacob	NENW	18-10-10	38.82	27 Oct 1835	"	"
" John	NWFR	30-09-13	17.53	27 Feb 1837	Madison	"
" John D.	SE¼	19-12-11	160	17 Jan 1852		"
" Zenas H.	SENE	28-09-12	40	3 Mar 1836		"
ADCOCK, Isham	SESW	12-09-13	40	18 Jun 1836	Greene	"
" Isom	SWSW	08-09-12	40	1 Jan 1852		"
AKERS, Vincent	NWSW	11-12-12	40	3 Mar 1834	Greene	"
ALEXANDER, John	SENW	21-09-13	40	29 Aug 1837	"	"
" Stewart	SWNW	21-09-13	40	11 Jun 1835	"	2
ALFORD, Harvey	W½SW	21-11-13	80	3 Oct 1854	Jersey	"
ALLAN, Athiel A.	SWNW	22-12-12	40	6 Sep 1833	Greene	"
" Uriah R.	SESW	21-12-12	40	13 Nov 1833	"	"
ALLEN, Benjamin	E½SW	05-09-10	80	2 Nov 1825	"	"
" Benjamin	SENW	05-09-10	39.97	13 Mar 1835	"	"
" Daniel A.	E½SE	23-09-12	80	6 Jan 1821	Madison	"
" David Gray	SESW	35-12-10	40	11 Apr 1849		"
" Elisha W.	NENE	26-10-13	40	27 Jan 1851	Greene	"
" Erastus W.	NWSE	05-10-11	40	18 Feb 1837	"	"
" Erastus W.	E½NE	08-10-11	80	18 Feb 1837	"	"
" Erastus W.	W½NE	05-10-11	44.74	18 Feb 1837	"	"
" George W.	W½NEFS	10-10-10	80	22 Oct 1831	"	"
" George W.	NWFR	04-10-10	87.18	22 Oct 1831	"	"
" George W.	W½NE	04-10-10	22.37	4 Nov 1831	"	"
" George W.	E½NE	04-10-10	44.74	5 Dec 1834	"	"
" George W.	W½NWFR	03-10-10	44.80	22 Oct 1835	"	"
" George W.	NWSW	03-10-10	40	28 Nov 1835	"	"
" Hardy M.	E½SE	25-10-10	40	21 Apr 1831	"	3
" Hardy M.	W½SW	24-10-10	80	21 Apr 1831	"	"
" Isaac	SESE	34-10-10	40	8 Dec 1835	"	"
" Isaac	SWSE	27-10-10	40	30 Dec 1835	"	"
" James	E½NE	26-09-12	80	18 Jan 1821	Madison	"
" James M.	SWSE	26-12-11	40	17 Feb 1836		"
" James M.	SWNE	26-12-11	40	17 Feb 1836		"
" James Martin	NWSE	26-12-11	40	9 May 1837	Greene	"
" John	E½SE	01-11-12	80	23 Feb 1821	"	"
" John	E½NE	23-11-12	80	8 Jan 1821	Madison	"
" John	E½SW	13-11-12	80	3 Oct 1831	Mercer	"
" John	W½NE	23-11-12	80	23 Mar 1825	Greene	"
" John	W½SE	01-11-12	80	7 May 1823	"	"

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ALLEN, Josiah	W½SE	22-11-12	80.00	12 Apr 1830	Greene	3
" Robert	NESW	18-12-10	40	24 Oct 1837	"	"
" Robert Bell	NWSW	30-12-10	39.72	12 May 1837	"	"
" Robert Bell	SWNW	30-12-10	39.54	9 May 1837	"	"
" Samuel	E½NE	06-11-11	76.22	28 Dec 1831	"	"
" Samuel	E½NE	21-11-12	80	18 Feb 1825	"	4
" Samuel	W½NE	21-11-12	80	25 Feb 1829	"	"
" Samuel	SWNW	06-11-11	37.44	13 Aug 1835	"	"
" Samuel	E½NW	28-11-12	80	30 Nov 1835	"	"
" Samuel	S½E½SE	16-11-12	40	1 Apr 1833		"
" Thomas	E½SW	23-11-12	80	8 Jan 1821	Madison	"
" Thomas	W½NE	22-11-12	80	8 Jan 1821	"	"
" Thomas	E½NE	22-11-12	80	8 Jan 1821	"	"
" Thomas	W½SW	23-11-12	80	23 Mar 1827	Greene	"
" Thomas	NWNW	23-12-10	40	19 Feb 1833	Morgan	"
" Thomas S.	W½NW	24-10-10	80	21 Apr 1831	Greene	"
" Thomas S.	E½SE	25-10-10	40	21 Apr 1831	"	"
" Uriah R.	NENE	21-12-12	40	21 Nov 1839		"
" William	W½SW	22-11-12	80	8 Jan 1821	Madison	"
" William	E½SE	29-11-12	80	12 Apr 1830	Greene	"
" William	SESW	09-09-10	40	27 Mar 1838	"	"
" William David	NESE	06-11-10	40	2 Dec 1833	Morgan	"
" William Sr.	W½NE	34-10-10	80	9 Nov 1825	Greene	"
" William Sr.	NESE	34-10-10	40	13 Mar 1835	"	5
" Zachariah	E½SE	03-11-12	80	8 Jan 1821	Madison	"
" Zachariah	NFR½NW	02-11-12	85.97	8 Jan 1821	"	"
" Zachariah	S½NW	02-11-12	80	8 Jan 1821	"	"
" Zachariah	W½SE	03-11-12	80	8 Jan 1821	"	"
" Zachariah	E½NE	10-11-12	80	8 Jan 1821	"	"
" Zachariah	W½SE	35-12-12	80	27 Aug 1821	Greene	"
" Zachariah	W½SW	02-11-12	80	7 Feb 1821	Madison	"
" Zachariah	N½NW	01-11-12	85.20	28 Jul 1821	Greene	"
" Zachariah	E½NW	10-11-12	80	18 Dec 1826	"	"
" Zachariah	N½NE	01-11-12	83.60	18 Dec 1826	"	"
" Zachariah	N½NE	04-11-12	83.86	18 Feb 1825	"	"
" Zachariah	E½SW	27-12-12	80	12 Feb 1824	"	"
" Zachariah	W½NE	34-12-12	80	18 Feb 1825	"	"
" Zachariah	E½SW	03-11-12	80	11 Sep 1823	"	"
" Zachariah Jr.	NESW	25-12-11	40	5 Jun 1833	"	"
ALLMON, Carey	NESW	20-10-11	40	28 Jan 1836	"	"
" Carey	NWNW	07-10-11	39.24	28 Jan 1836	"	"
" Jacob	E½NE	01-10-12	49.62	27 Apr 1836	"	6
ALMON, Carey	E½NW	07-10-11	78.48	18 Jan 1836	"	"
" Gideon	NESE	01-10-12	40	19 Jan 1837	"	"
" Gideon	SWSE	01-10-12	40	24 Jan 1837	"	"
" Jacob	SWSW	06-10-11	38.39	19 Feb 1836		"
" Jacob	SWNW	07-10-11	39.24	19 Feb 1836		"
" Jeptha	SWNW	06-10-11	22.88	6 Oct 1842		"
" Jeptha	NENW	18-10-11	39.93	11 Jan 1836	Greene	"
" John	E½SW	07-10-11	79.46	11 Jan 1836	"	"

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WAR OF 1812.

Numbers	Soldier Allen, William	Bounty Land
S. O. 5363		17234 - 80 - 50
S. C. 3864	Widow	8627 - 80 - 55
	Service Pvt., Capt. William Mullen's Co., Tenn. Mil.	
	Enlisted Nov. 13, 1814 Discharged May 13, 1815	
Residence of Soldier	1850,1855 Greene Co., Ill. 1871, Greene Co., (P. O. Berdan) Ill.	Remarks
Residence of Widow		
Maiden name of Widow	Wife Mary Pinkerton	
Marriage of Soldier and Widow	Wife Sept. 6, 1821, Greene Co., Ill.	
Death of Soldier		
Death of Widow		

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Jacob Linder was appointed the successor of Mr. Tunnell, in 1824, and served three years.

In 1827, J. W. Scott was again appointed to this office, and held it for one year.

He was succeeded by Cyrus Tolman, in 1828, and held it for one year. He was a native of Massachusetts, born in 1796. Coming westward as early as 1817, he proceeded to Utica, in the state of Indiana, and one year later, though comparatively without means, he landed in Edwardsville, this state, and first secured employment in helping toward the survey of the town of Gibralter. In 1821, he entered a piece of land near the present town of White Hall. In connection with Carl Gregory, he erected the first two frame blocks in Greene county. Jan. 30, 1828, he was married to Polly Eldred, a daughter of Jehosophat and Polly Eldred. In 1830 he was elected assessor and treasurer of Greene county, receiving for his services $75. A short time after, he was elected judge of Greene county, and in 1840, moved to Jerseyville, where, during the fall of the year, he was elected to fill the same office. As a farmer, Judge Tolman was more than ordinarily successful, few of the old settlers having come to the state under more trying circumstances. Mrs. Tolman passed away on Oct. 17, 1860. Mr. T. was laid at rest in 1877, after a long life fraught with no ordinary interest.

Richard Rattan was the successor of Mr. Tolman, having been appointed in 1829, and again in 1830. He held the office two years.

Philip N. Rampy, appointed treasurer in 1831, by the county commissioners' court, was re-appointed in 1832, and held the office for a term of two years.

Richard Day was the treasurer in 1833, holding the office but one year.

In 1834, Richard Rattan was again appointed treasurer, and held it by successive appointments until 1837, a term of three years.

He was succeeded by Amos H. Squires, who was appointed in 1837; he was reappointed in 1838, 1839, 1840, 1841 and 1842, but in March, 1843, he absconded with some $3,000 in hand. He had held offices of trust before, and was regarded as one of the most upright men in the community. For nearly a year he could not be found. At last he was apprehended for trial, and in the April term, 1844, the county brought an action for debt against him and his bondsmen, Alfred Hinton, John W. Scott, Wylie Wilder, William Rainey and Young Wood. The suit was successful, and the county obtained a verdict of $3,038.48. A new trial was granted, and the case was taken to Jersey county. The final result was that, by means of some technicality, Squires escaped punishment, and the county pocketed the loss.

On the absconding of Mr. Squires, Luther Tunnel was made treasurer, in March, 1843, and held the office for a few months, when he was succeeded by R. B. Allen, the first elected treasurer of the county, who was chosen to fill that position at the general election of 1843. He held the office for four years.

David Pinkerton was elected to this office as the successor of Mr. Allen, in

the fall of 1847, and served two years. Mr. Pinkerton came to the county at an early date, and settled on Sec. 25, T. 10, R. 12, where he entered 500 acres of land, on which he built a log cabin. He continued to reside on this farm until October 4, 1853, when he departed this life. His wife survived him until April 6, 1863. Mr. Pinkerton was elected to the office of county treasurer in the fall of 1847, and in the discharge of the duties of the office, he gave entire satisfaction to the people of the county, irrespective of political faith, and his death was a sad blow to his family and friends.

In 1849, Perry McConathy was elected to this office and served two years. Mr. McConathy was born in Lexington, Ky., Aug. 17, 1813. He was the youngest son of Jacob and Eunice McConathy. At the age of 15 he became apprenticed to the trade of a saddler, serving his time. In his 20th year he became a journeyman. For a considerable length of time he worked as a journeyman, and also opened a shop for a time. While a resident here, he was married to Matilda Jane Alverson. In 1839, he made his way to Greene county, where he worked in a co-partnership way with Benjamin Alverson. For a number of years he rented property, and then moved on to the farm he now owns, consisting of some 300 acres. In 1846, Mr. McConathy was appointed agent for the International Improvement Fund. His ability for any position he might aspire to being recognized, he was elected to the responsible office of county assessor and treasurer, and for 20 years or more served as justice of the peace, and has held the position of notary public. As a public officer, Mr. McConathy has left behind him an honest record which is held in grateful remembrance by the citizens of this county. In conclusion, it may be said that Mr. M. is one of the most liberal of men, whose large heart goes out toward all appeals of a public nature. Of 14 children born of this marriage, 11 are living—Benjamin F., John M., Mary Jane, Emma V., Clarissa, Jacob, Edgar, Robert Perry, Joseph H., Samuel R. and Lucy A.

Jesse Morrow was elected treasurer of Greene county, in 1851, and served two years. He was born in North Carolina, Aug. 4, 1812, and removed to this state in the fall of 1819, settling within the limits afterward contained in Greene county. He may thus be regarded as one of the earliest settlers, and one closely identified with this county's growth and development. He was married Nov. 19, 1836, to Margerie, daughter of 'Squire Allen, of Greene county, born Dec. 17, 1817. This union was blessed by two children —Marshall, born April 28, 1838, and Martha, Jane, born June 28, 1840, died Aug. 5, 1864. Mrs. Morrow died Aug. 6, 1842. Mr. Morrow married again Nov. 19, 1845, to Elvira, daughter of Charles and Mary Bradshaw, born Feb. 22, 1821. By this union 11 children were born, seven of whom are living—Alex R., born Aug. 27, 1846; George W., Feb. 9, 1851; Sarah Ann, Nov. 14, 1852; Nancy E., Nov. 10, 1854; John B., July 26, 1856; Zac. D., Sept. 15, 1838, and Oliver A., April 29, 1863. Their mother died March 5, 1866. Mr. Morrow married his third wife Dec. 27, 1868, Nancy Nettles, born Dec. 7, 1828. Mr. Morrow, during the greater part of his

settled on section 32, where he resided until 1854, when he died. A sketch of him is found elsewhere in this volume, in a biography of Joseph C. Reynolds, of Woodville township, whose wife is a daughter of Mr. Hall. He has two sons —Enoch and Samuel now living near Virden, Macoupin Co.

John Dodgson, a native of "White Cliffed Albion," came to Greene county in 1820, and located about two miles north of Carrollton. in this township. He died here in 1848. A sketch of him occurs in connection with that of his son James Dodgson, in Wrights township.

Andrew Pinkerton, another of the hardy pioneers, came from Kentucky, in 1820, and located upon section 25 in this township, where he built an humble log cabin, in which he lived until 1860, when he erected a frame building, in which he still resides. Another brother and sister, John and Elizabeth, came with the family. The latter is still living at Berdan, with her brother, Andrew. John died about the year 1865, and in his will bequeathed $2,000 to the government to pay his share of the public debt.

James Pinkerton, the father of several of the most prominent and influential citizens, brought his family from Kentucky to Greene county, in 1820, and made a farm on Sec. 26, T. 11, R. 12. He was a native of the "Emerald Isle." He bought 80 acres of land on coming here, where he lived until overtaken by death, in 1840.

Andrew Pinkerton is a native of Adair county, Ky., and was born December 31, 1799. He is a son of James and Mary (Foster) Pinkerton, his father a native of Ireland, his mother of Virginia. In 1820 he, with his parents, came to Greene county and located where the village of Berdan now lies, his father buying 80 acres of land on which he resided until his death, which occurred Feb. 19, 1840. His mother, Mrs. Mary Pinkerton died Oct. 9, 1834, and both are buried side by side in the Berdan cemetery. Andrew was 21 years of age when he came to this county and he remained with his parents two or three years after coming here. He had been brought up to farm life, but worked at the turner's trade five or six years. He then bought 80 acres of land on to which he moved and has since resided. In the year 1825 he was united in marriage with Ellen Johnson, daughter of Isaac and Catherine (Reeds) Johnson. This union was blessed with seven children, four of whom are living—Mary J., born June 6, 1826; James G., born June 6, 1830, married Martha Waltrip and resides in Carrollton township; Sarah A., born Nov. 26, 1836, married James A. Wood and resides in Kansas; Eliza E., born Aug. 21, 1844. Mr. Pinkerton is yet enjoying life at the advanced age of 86 years. He is one of the old pioneers of the county and has witnessed the great changes which have been made here during the past 65 years. Mrs. Pinkerton died Dec. 11, 1881.

William Pinkerton located on section 25 in 1820, and built a log cabin. In a short time he removed to another quarter of the same section, where he made a homestead and a residence until his death.

J. K. Pinkerton was born in Greene county, Illinois, February 7, 1844, his parents being William and Sarah (Vinyard) Pinkerton, his father a native of

Tennessee, his mother of Kentucky. His father came to Greene county in 1820 and located on section 25, where he entered 80 acres of land. This he afterward sold to his brother Andrew, and entered 160 acres on the same section, on which he built a log cabin and there spent the remainder of his days, his death occurring in 1860. His mother also died that year. Our subject was reared to the pursuits of agriculture and has always remained at the old homestead. He received his education in the common schools. He was married May 11, 1873, to Etta Thaxton, daughter of Henry and Marinda (Daniels) Thaxton. This union has been blessed with five children — Bert, Fannie, Elsie, Floyd, and Herbert. Mr. Pinkerton now owns 160 acres of land and is engaged in general farming. In 1883 he bought an Eclipse engine and separator, and he now does about all the threshing in his neighborhood. He is an energetic and successful farmer, and a well respected citizen.

John Drum settled in Greene county in 1820, on the Alfred Hinton place, He was a native of North Carolina, and came west as a soldier in the war of 1812. He was married in Madison county, this state, to Gilly Wood, a native of Tennessee. Mr. Drum died in this county.

James Williams was also among the pioneers of the year 1821. He was born in England, in 1795, and came to the United States in 1820, coming to Greene county the following year. At first he engaged in work as a laborer, but was afterwards engaged as butcher and as miller for many years. He died here in 1848.

Peter Dodgson came to Greene county in 1820 with his parents, who settled on section 33, in this township. He was born Jan. 2, 1806, at Colton, Yorkshire, England. He was a son of John and Elizabeth (Wells) Dodgson. In 1821 he came to Greene county, Ill. May 19, 1825, he was "born again;" in 1832 was ordained local deacon in the M. E. church, and in 1840 was ordained elder. He was blind during nearly the last four years of his life. Having served his generation faithfully, he departed in great peace, Oct. 28, 1868. His wife following him July 25, 1884, and both are buried at the Hopewell cemetery. They were the parents of 12 children, six of whom are living—David, Nathan, Sarah, wife of Patrick Turney; Mary E., wife of John Gilbert; Ornan and Maria L., wife of John G. Winn. Those deceased are Jacob, Peter, John Wesley, William P., Sophia and Eliza E., all of whom are buried in the Hopewell cemetery. Mrs. Dodgson was a native of Kentucky.

David Dodgson was born in Greene county, Ill., Oct. 27, 1849, his parents being Peter and Jane (Brown) Dodgson, early settlers here. His father located on section 33, in this township, where he entered quite a tract of land, and later on bought a great deal of second-handed land. When he entered his land in this county, he had but $50 to start with, and he built a little log cabin and lived in it until he made enough money to build another house. He erected a fine brick residence, and lived in it until his death, Oct. 28, 1868. At the time of his death he owned about 600 acres of land and was a well-to-do farmer, although he started with merely

war of 1812–15, and had made a gallant record. Mr. Brace at once commenced farming, but in a few months he was snatched from his family by the hands death. This was in 1829. He was buried at a point about two miles northwest of the Carrollton cemetery. His widow is still a resident of the county seat. He was the parent of six children, five of whom are living—Joshua T., Thaddeus W.; Clara M., wife of Edward Ferguson; Ann E. and Curtius W. All of these children, although young at the time of coming here, are to be ranked with the old settlers, by right of a continuous residence of over 56 years.

During the year 1828, when Illinois was a far western point, Mrs. Brown, in order to give her children a start in the world, migrated to Greene county, settling on the farm now owned by John Brown, of this county. Here this energetic lady settled down to the hard task of making a comfortable home. Mrs. Brown was a native of North Carolina, a most kindly woman, and merited the respect of her pioneer neighbors.

In 1828, also, came Henry Brooks, and made a settlement in what is now Carrollton township, about a mile and a quarter west of the county seat. He was a native of Virginia, but was reared in Kentucky, where he was married. He was the father of 13 children, some of whom are still residents of the county.

Thomas J. Short came from his home in Summertown, Tenn., to Greene county, in the fall of 1829. He was born in Tennessee, Sept. 27, 1805, and was married to Catherine Overby. On coming to this county, being in very poor circumstances, he rented land in Carrollton township, but soon settled in Rubicon township. He died Aug. 10, 1876.

Eli Witt settled in Greene county in 1829. He was a native of Jefferson county, Tenn., of English ancestry. At the age of 21 he was united in marriage with Nancy McNealy. He was engaged in farming in the county of his nativity until Dec., 1829, when he immigrated to this county, settling in the township of Carrollton. Here he resided some years when he removed to Texas, but later returned and bought a farm east of Carrollton, where he resided until overtaken by death, in Oct., 1851. He had been a soldier of the war 1812. With him came his son, Randolph, then a young man of 19 years.

On the 12th of Nov., 1829, William Winn and family settled in this township, about four miles west of the town of Carrollton. The land where the pioneers settled was unbroken, requiring the muscle of the head of the family to subdue it. Here he lived for many years, in a simple manner, his wants few because easily satisfied. He died in Carrollton.

This part of the state seemed to have had a strong attraction for the emigrants from England. In 1830, John Wright, a native of Yorkshire, Eng., came to this county, and located on section 15, where he remained until he died, March 23, 1865.

Col. Purnell Short, a Kentuckian, came to Carrollton township from his "native heath," about 1830, and located near the county seat. He resided here only about a year, when he removed to Woodville township, where he died.

Peter Montague Brown came to Car-

rollton, in 1830, and carried on carpentering until 1836, when he bought the stock of Shackelford, Hodges & Co., and entered into mercantile life, but discontinued it after about two years.

Benjamin B. Powell made a settlement in Carrollton township in the fall of 1830. He was a native of Tennessee, born July 24, 1801. His parents came to Illinois as early as 1805 or 6, where they died, and Benjamin went back to Tennessee, and later to Alabama, where he married a Miss Lancaster. He removed to Illinois as above stated. His wife died in 1831, and was among the first to be interred in the Carrollton cemetery. He again married Phoebe Wood. He died a resident of the county, in Woodville township, Dec. 9, 1874.

John Dowdall came to Carrollton, in 1831, and after a short stay in that village moved on to a farm about four miles southeast of that place, where he lived many years.

Henry Ballard, a native of Onandaga county, N. Y., came to Greene county in 1831, from Ohio, where he had been living, and located in this township. He was a carpenter by trade, and helped build some of the earliest carding machines in the county. His family found the fever and ague so prevalent in this locality, that in the fall of 1832 he returned to Athens county, O., where they lived until 1844, when they returned to Greene county. Mrs. Ballard had been formerly Margaret Anderson. They had some six children. Mr. Ballard died in this county, Nov. 10, 1858, and his wife Nov. 26, 1861.

Elisha Barnard came to Greene county in 1835, and settled in what is now Carrollton township. Here he resided until 1842, when he was snatched from his loving family by death.

Mathew Stone located in Carrollton in 1833, where he resided until 1841, when he moved to Macoupin county, where he died in 1845.

OTHER PROMINENT CITIZENS.

Willis Randall Pinkerton was born in Greene county, Ill., March 31, 1827, his parents being David and Celia (Barnes) Pinkerton. They were natives of Virginia and North Carolina, and came to Greene county in 1823, locating on section 25, T. 11, R. 12, where they entered about 300 acres of land, on which they built a log cabin, in which Willis R. was born. They resided here until about 1837, when they built a frame house, a story and a half high, in which his father lived until his death, Oct. 4, 1853. His wife survived him until April 6, 1863. Willis R. was reared to farm life, assisting his parents in their farm labors until he was about 26 years of age. He then began life for himself, locating on 80 acres of land, that was left to him by his father, and has ever since resided there, on the homestead. He was married, Oct. 7, 1858, to Mary E. King, daughter of Samuel P. and Elizabeth (Sawyer) King. By this marriage there were seven children, six of whom are living—Eva E., Ulysses S., David S., Rhoda E., Martha R., and Mary D. The one deceased is Celia A., who died April 25, 1865. Mr. Pinkerton has added some to his original 80 acres, so that now he has a good farm of 160 acres, which is under cultivation, and comfortably improved. Mrs. Pinkerton is a member of the Cumberland Presbyterian

our subject, Michael. His father resided with his sons until his death, which occurred in 1877.

Frederick Cook, a native of Prussia, Germany, was born Sept. 20, 1819, his parents being John and Lottie Cook, natives of Germany. He learned the shoemaker's trade, and traveled seven years after serving his apprenticeship, going to Hamburg, Lebert, Bremen, Frankfort, Horbusk, Berlin, Ochen, Littich, Brussels, Belgin, Lana, Teni, Cente, Elbert, Felt, Oscha, Brich, where he worked two years, Altenburg and several other places, where he worked as a journeyman. In March, 1847, after bidding adieu to fatherland and friends, he set sail at Bremen, on the vessel Josephine, bound for New York, at which port he arrived after a voyage of 32 days. Since leaving the old country he has never seen a single person from there. From New York he went to Philadelphia, and after staying five weeks there he came on to Pittsburg, and from there to Louisville, Ky., where he worked at his trade eight months. He then removed to St. Louis, where he remained about 18 months, engaged at shoemaking, and then set out for Greene county, arriving at Carrollton on Easter Sunday, 1849. He worked there 10 or 12 years, and then bought 200 acres of land on sections 24 and 25, in this township, on which he moved, and after living there five years, he rented it out and moved back to Carrollton, where he resided seven years, and then moved back on the farm, and has since resided there. Mr. Cook has been twice married. In Feb., 1849, he was married to Clarissa Rice, who died in 1863. He was again married, Aug. 23, 1865, to Relief Warren, daughter of Harry and Rebecca Warren. By this union there were 10 children, nine of whom are living—Frank, Lottie, Augusta, George; Melinda and Rebecca, twins; Louis Harry and John. The one deceased is James. Mr. Cook has seen hard times in his early days in trying to make a start in life, and but few of the rising generation know what hardships their parents had to contend with in making for themselves a home. Mr. Cook has by economy and untiring energy been enabled to accumulate considerable wealth, and now owns 200 acres of fine land, 80 of which is in Carrollton township, and 120 acres in Wrights township. All this has been acquired since he was 28 years of age, as he then came here with but 10 cents in his pocket.

Gilbert L. Purl was born in Wayne county, Ind., on the 18th of Nov., 1856, and is a son of Thomas and Violet (Jones) Purl, his father a native of Pennsylvania, and his mother of Indiana. His parents came to Greene county in the year 1858, and located in Carrollton, where his father still resides. Gilbert L. was reared to farm life, and remained with his father until he reached the age of 19 years. He then removed to Kansas, where he was employed for about seven years on a farm which his father owned. He then returned to Greene county, and has since engaged in farming at home. He is now managing 105 acres of land, located about three miles north of Carrollton, which is owned by his father. Although quite young, Mr. Purl is an intelligent, enterprising gentleman, and these qualities united with those of industry and honesty are bound to meet

with the success which they so truly deserve.

FIRST ITEM.

The first child born in this township was William, son of Benjamin and Hannah Ogle, born in 1818. This is said to have been the first birth in the county.

ORGANIC.

At the election in 1885, when the township organization went into effect, the following officers were elected: E. A. Eldred, supervisor; T. E. Evans, clerk; N. J. Andrews, assessor; F. M. Roberts, collector; A. J. Tunnell, Henry Schnelton and R. P. Driver, highway commissioners; Edward Booth, Jehosephat Eldred and T. J. Carlin, justices; J. R. Kennedy, Warren English and William E. Ashlock, constables. Thos. E. Evans, the clerk, moving away, D. M. Fishback was appointed in his stead. This election took place April 7, 1885, and the judges of the election were: W. L. Armstrong, B. C. Hodges and John L. Eldred; the clerks were: L. D. Simpson and John Lavery.

EDUCATIONAL.

District No. 1.—In 1838, a school house was erected of brick, 20x20 feet in size, the first teacher in which was Cyrus Sargent. This was torn down in 1848, and a new one erected at a cost of about $800, which is 20x26 feet in size. This is also built of brick. It is situated on the northeast quarter of section 20, in township 10.

School district No. 3, has a school house located on the east side of section 5, which was built in 1865, at a cost of about $1,000. It is 20x30 feet in size, a neat frame structure, and in a fair state of repair. Winnie Beason was the first teacher, and the present one is Jessie Simpson. Average attendance about 25, with some 40 enrolled.

School district No. 5.—A school house was built in 1856, at a cost of $408, which was used until 1869, when the school was moved to the village of Berdan. The first teacher was T. O. Strain.

CEMETERIES.

Pinkerton cemetery was laid out by John F. Pinkerton in 1844. The first person buried in this cemetery was Sarah Pinkerton, who died June 15, 1844.

Berdan cemetery was, at one time, opened for a burial place, but is now abandoned for that purpose, only nine bodies having been interred here. The first one was an infant son of William and S. M. Pinkerton, who died July 15, 1832.

BERDAN.

The village of Berdan, which lies in the southeast quarter of Sec. 26, of T. 11, R. 12, May 12, was laid out and platted in September, 1865, the plat being filed for record on the 20th of that month, by William R. Kellogg, Lewis S. Olmsted, and Linus E. Worcester. It was named after James Berdan, of Jacksonville, who was prominently connected with the railroad. The pioneer business house was a grocery and notion store, opened at that point by Richard Vedder, the same fall that the town was born. Shortly after this George Sleight opened a grocery store, and a saloon in connection, which he kept until 1881, when he sold out to Patrick Layden, who is the present store keeper.

M. L. Milledge came to Berdan in

December, 1882, and started in business in the village as a dealer in groceries, medicines and notions. He also carries on the general blacksmith business in connection, is also dealer in agricultural implements and sewing machines, and is notary public and pension agent. He erected the building in which he does business in 1883. It is 20x46 feet in size, two stories high. He, when called upon, furnishes entertainment to the traveling public.

REPRESENTATIVE CITIZENS.

Revel E. Pinkerton was born in Greene county, Ill., March 22, 1846, and is a son of Wiley E. and Sally (Allen) Pinkerton, his father a native of Tennessee, his mother of Illinois. His father came to Greene county, A. D., 1823, and located near Berdan, where he purchased a tract of land on to which he moved and there resided until his death, Jan. 17, A. D., 1849. His mother is yet living and resides near Roodhouse with her daughter, Melissa. Revel was reared to the duties of farm life until he was 17 years of age, when in 1863 he enlisted in company A, 61st Ill. Inf., and served until the close of the war. He then returned home and attended school one year in the country and one term at Manchester, at the end of which time he begun to learn the carpenter's trade, partly under O. H. McGarvey, then going to Morgan county, Mo., where he finished under James Cowan. From there he removed to Washington county, Ark., where he was married and there remained eight years, working at carpentering and wagon-making. In 1878 he returned to Berdan and bought a house and two lots where he has since made his home. He was married Dec. 11, 1870, to Nancy J. Atkisson, daughter of William Atkisson. Mr. and Mrs. Pinkerton are the parents of six children, four of whom are living—Sarah L., William W., Mary A. and Ernest H. Those deceased are, Ethel J., who died July 5, 1883; and Revel E., who died July 31, 1883. Mr. Pinkerton is a member of the Christian church and his wife of the Methodist Episcopal church. He is a member of Carrollton lodge, No. 342, I. O. O. F., and is a man of intelligence, industry and enterprise. Mr. Pinkerton's forefathers were of Irish origin, and being Protestants were banished from the north of Ireland, coming to America at the close of the Orangemen troubles.

George W. Reynolds was born in Henry county, Va., Nov. 28, 1803, and is a son of Richard D. and Nancy (Grisom) Reynolds, natives of Virginia. His father removed his family to Muhlenburgh county, Ky., in 1805, locating on a farm, where he spent the remainder of his days, his death occurring in 1835. Mrs. Reynolds survived him until 1845. George was brought up to farm life, living at home with his parents until he was 24 years of age, most of which time was spent in attending school. So much time was spent in his education on account of his being crippled, at the age of 16 years; while out swimming one day, he contracted a cold, resulting in white swelling in the left leg, which confined him to his bed for a year, and left him a cripple for life. In the spring of 1836, he came to Illinois, and bought 640 acres of land in township 11, range 10, and also purchased town property in Fayette. In 1837 he went back to

Kentucky, and brought his family here to the town of Fayette, and there they resided until the spring of 1838, when he moved on to his farm in the same township, and remained there until 1869. Mr. Reynolds then sold out, and moved on a place near the Carrollton fair grounds, where he purchased 190 acres of land, and on which he lived until 1879. He again sold out, and removed to Berdan, where he bought five lots and seven acres of land, and he has since continued to reside there. Mr. Reynolds was married in Kentucky, May 27, 1832, to Elizabeth Bellamy, and this union has been blessed with 12 children, only six of whom are now living—Thomas F., married Rebecca Farr, and resides in Cass county, Mo.; Mary J., wife of Asbury Vandeveer, residing near Greenfield; Elizabeth, wife of John Armstrong, residing in White Hall; Nancy, wife of Clinton Armstrong, residing in Berdan; Maria A., wife of William J. Armstrong, residing near Carrollton; Bell, widow of Frederick Smith, living near Carrollton. Mrs. Reynolds died May 6, 1878, and Mr. Reynolds was again married, May 13, 1879, to Mary Taylor, daughter of Samuel and Jeannette (Mitchell) Taylor. Mr. and Mrs. Reynolds are members of the Cumberland Presbyterian church. Mr. Reynolds became a member in 1824, a minister in 1828 and was ordained in 1830. He is an intelligent, upright citizen.

POSTOFFICE.

The postoffice was established in Jan., 1870, with George W. Sleight as the first postmaster. He held the commission until his death, in 1881, but it was continued in his name until 1882, when Patrick Layden was appointed to the office, and is the present incumbent.

SCHOOL.

A school house was erected in 1869, by subscription, which was to be used for a church and school. Into this the school of district No. 5 was moved, and is kept there now.

CARROLLTON.

The beautiful city of Carrollton, the seat of justice of the county of Greene, is located on Secs. 22 and 23, T. 10 north, R. 12 west of the 3d principal meridian. The history attending the birth of the town has been already given in the chapter relating to county government. Thomas Carlin, afterwards governor of Illinois, was the first settler, of whom there is any record, within what is now the corporate limits of the city. In the spring of 1819, he came to this vicinity, with his mother and step-father, and camped under a large tree in the southern part of what is now the town site. He determined to make his home upon the prairie here, and built a log cabin about half a mile south of the square, and this was the nearest to what is now the center of a busy, thriving city. Michael Headrick lived about a mile west of the same point, and Samuel Thomas, Abram Sells and others were at various distances in the same general direction.

The county seat was located by the commissioners upon the 20th of February, 1821, and was immediately surveyed on the 13th of March, of the same year, but was not filed for record until July 30, 1825.

CHAPTER XXVI.

WHITE HALL TOWNSHIP.

The civil sub-division of the county of Greene, known as White Hall, is one of the most irregularly shaped of any. It lies in the northern part of the county, and is bounded on the north by Roodhouse township, on the east by Athensville and Wrights, on the south by Carrollton township, from which it is separated by Apple creek, and on the west by Walkerville and Patterson townships. It comprises about 42 sections of some as fine land as there is in this section of the state. Apple creek, with its tributaries, chief among which are Seminary and Wolf creeks, afford ample drainage. Some portions of this territory are high, rolling prairie, stretching in "airy undulations, far away," while others are more hilly and covered with a mature growth of valuable timber. The soil has the same general characteristics that have made this portion of the state so famous in agricultural history, and is prolific and fertile beyond compare. The C., A. & St. L., and the C., B. & Q. railroads traverse a portion of this township, meeting at the city of White Hall, where both have stations. These unequalled railroad facilities have doubtless, been an important factor in the building up and development of this portion of the county.

EARLY SETTLEMENT.

There seems to be no doubt but that the first settler north of Apple creek was James Henderson. He first crossed that stream in Aug., 1818. His family settled here, as soon as he could get a cabin up, which was not until the following year.

The same summer of 1819, Thomas and Samuel Allen, Thomas Rattan, Levi Reeder, and others crossed Apple creek, attracted by the beauty of the land, and made settlements.

Thomas Allen and his brother also built the first mill in this county at this point on Apple creek, near the present site of New Providence. Thomas Allen was one of the prominent men of that early day. He was a large, corpulent man, weighing over 250 pounds, and was good natured and jolly, and especially delighted in romping with children. He had a great love for the young folks, common to all men of his build. His mill, of which a history is given further on, was one of the leading institutions of the county, in its day, and for many years the place was known as Allen's mill. He died at this place about the year 1833.

Thomas Rattan did not live here very long, for when the new county seat was laid out in 1821, he removed to that locality, where he finished the first house, and where he kept the only tavern or hotel in the place. Mr. Rattan represented this district in the general assembly of the state several times, and is noticed in that connection, in the chap-

ter entitled National, State and County Representation.

All of these parties settled just east of the road now leading from Carrollton to White Hall, except, that part of Thomas Rattan's land lay to the west of it.

In the autumn of the same year, 1819, Zachariah and John Allen, Isaac Hill and others crossed the creek, and augmented the little settlement.

William Allen came to what is now Greene county in 1818, and settled in White Hall township, in 1819. He was born in Rowan county, N. C., July 17, 1798, and was the son of Thomas and Mary (Pinkerton) Allen. He came to what is now the city of Alton, in 1817, and coming to this county looked the country over, and, in the spring of 1818, came here as above. He lived here until his death, April 4, 1874. He had a family of nine children, seven of whom are living. He and his wife were members of the United Presbyterian church, and he was a staunch democrat. During the war of 1812, Mr. Allen was a soldier in the United States army, and participated in the glorious victory at New Orleans, Jan. 8, 1815. Mr. Allen was a man much respected by all, and held several local offices in the county.

Seldon Beebe, a native of the "Keystone State," and his wife, Fidelia (Bushnell) Beebe, came to Illinois in 1818, and made a settlement on Apple Creek Prairie, in this township, in 1820. In a short time he removed to Bluffdale, and located under the bluffs, where he resided until 1853, when he died. His wife, who was a native of Connecticut, survived him until 1870, when she too, was called to the other shore.

William Speaks came with the others, from Tennessee, in 1819, and located on Apple creek, in what is now White Hall township. The first winter, for it was late in the fall when they came here, they were unable to put up a house, or get one, so they were compelled to camp out all that inclement season, by the side of a big log. While roughing it in this fashion, a child was born unto them.

William Speaks was born in Maryland, Jan. 17, 1782, his father being a native of North Carolina, his mother of Welsh descent. His wife was Sarah Orten, born July 14, 1782, in Rowan county, N. C. William removed to North Carolina when quite young, and later on, was married there. He then removed to Tennessee, and after five years, came to Greene county, Ill., in the fall of 1819, accompanied by the Allens, Morrows and Bells. They settled on Apple creek, near White Hall. Mr. Speaks lived on the old homestead until he was too old to work, when he sold out and, with his wife, removed to Greenfield, where they spent the balance of their days with their daughter, Mrs. N. C. Woolley. He died July 3, 1854, of cancer, and his wife died Oct. 11, 1864. Both were members of the Baptist church. They had raised a family of nine children.

Francis Bell, a Tennessean, came to this county in 1819, and settled upon a farm on Apple creek prairie, in this township. He lived here many years, and died in Tallula, this state, in June, 1866.

Francis M. Bell was born in Upper Alton, Ill., March 15, 1819, and was the son of Francis and Elizabeth (Allen) Bell. Francis M. came with his par-

ents to this county in 1819, when but an infant. His parents settled on Apple Creek Prairie, where F. M. was reared. His mother died in 1835, his father in 1866. Francis M. was married June 4, 1840, to Margaret A. Morrow, by which union there were four children. Mrs. Bell died March 29, 1861. Sept. 2, 1862, he was again married to Jane F. Allen. By her there were born four children, three of whom died in extreme infancy. Mr. Bell was elected sheriff as before stated, serving with faithfulness. He was the owner of the mill at Belltown, from 1853 till 1870. Upon the expiration of his term of office moved to Wrights township, where he resided, upon a farm until Sept. 6, 1879, when he died.

A little school was organized in the winter of 1819, which was taught by William Welch, and the young settlers attended to their early education.

In the year 1820, Charles Kitchen made a settlement in T. 12, R. 12, and is believed to have been the pioneer of this part of the township. He made some improvements on section 27, in the fall of the above year. He was afterward a Baptist minister, but was guilty of misconduct and left the county under a cloud.

With him came Lewis Roberts, who located, also, upon section 27, where he resided many years. He was a native of North Carolina, born in 1797. In early youth he became a resident of Kentucky, where he was united in marriage to Miss Rebecca Day. In 1820 he set out from Kentucky to Illinois in a covered wagon. He became quite prosperous, owning some 600 acres of land, and died here.

About a month after these men had shown the way, John Thompson followed them and located on the same section, where he passed many years. Mr. Thompson taught the first school in this part of White Hall township, in 1823, and was the first justice of the peace.

Thomas Rattan came to this part of the county in 1820, and built a cabin, and put up the first ox-mill and distillery in this township, which he run but a short time, for on the organization of the county, and the laying out of the county seat, he removed to Carrollton, where he lived for years.

David J. Seeley, came to Greene county, in 1820, but effected no permanent settlement until 1824, when he located on Sec. 33, T. 12, R. 12, in what is now known as White Hall township. Here he remained until 1833, when he removed to Galena, and engaged in the mining business. He afterward removed to Wisconsin, where he died May 4, 1868.

Probably James Martin Allen was the first settler on the site of White Hall. A native of Tennessee, he was born in 1794. He found a home in Greene county as early as 1820. Shortly after his arrival he was married to Elizabeth A. Morrow. For many years he kept the only inn, or tavern, on the property now owned by Mr. Adams. When the present town of White Hall was laid out, he concluded to settle on a farm, and accordingly purchased a tract on Lorton's Prairie. He died in 1873, and his wife 11 months prior.

Andrew Pinkerton came to this settlement, in 1820. He was born in Kentucky, in Dec., 1799. He was married

in 1825 to Ellen Johnson, by whom he had seven children.

Cyrus Tolman, who was afterward identified with the official life of the county, came to this settlement in 1820, and located upon 120 acres of land on Sec. 2, T. 11, R. 12, south of White Hall, where he resided several years. He was a native of Massachusetts, and his wife, Polly (Eldredge) Tolman, of Ohio. From the place of his first settlement he removed to Sec. 36, T. 12, R. 12. After a time spent here, he sold out and bought 280 acres of land in Jersey township, Jersey county, where he died April 16, 1876. His wife died Oct. 17, 1860. He was the father of W. O. Tolman, who was born in this county in 1869. Cyrus was a member of the first grand jury of Greene county.

Charles Baines, deceased, was born in Yorkshire, Eng., Feb. 8, 1797, and was a son of Robert and Margaret A. (Walls) Baines, natives of England. His father was a rope-maker by trade, as was also his son Charles, who followed that occupation until coming to this country. In 1820 they came to Greene county, Ill., his father entering 160 acres of land, and Charles, 80 acres, both on section 11, in this township. His father afterward sold out, and resided with his son, Solomon, until his death, which occurred in Dec., 1848. Charles had also entered 160 acres of land on section 23, and he afterward erected on this a large two-story brick dwelling, and there resided the balance of his days, his death occurring Dec. 25, 1865. He was beloved by all, being an honest, upright citizen, an affectionate husband and father, and a friend to the needy and distressed. Being among the earliest settlers of the county, he had witnessed the development of a vast wilderness into a flourishing and wealthy county. At the time of his death, he owned 400 acres of land, thus leaving his family in comfortable circumstances. He was married Aug. 17, 1850, to Jane Milnes, a daughter of Adam and Mary Milnes, and this union was blessed with three children—Charles, Solomon, and Henry. Mrs. Baines had a family of five children by a former marriage. They are—John, who married Jane Edwards, and resides in Rockbridge; Joseph, married Mary Green, and resides in Carrollton; Mary, wife of J. Umpton, living in Scott county; David, married Nellie Kendall, and resides near White Hall; and Thomas, married to Virginia Starks, and residing in Linder township. The family now own the estate that was left them by Mr. Baines, and Mrs. Baines is now enjoying the comforts of life, which are the result of her own and her husband's industry.

William Potts, one of the Argonauts of 1820, located upon Sec. 33, T. 12, R. 12, the Rattan place. He was an Englishman by birth. He entered 80 acres prairie, and 80 of timber land, and built a log cabin in which he lived for several years. He then traded for another quarter of the same section, and built a good hewed log cabin, a story and a half high, where he passed the balance of his life. He died in 1862. His son, Elam A. Potts, born in 1821, is one of the oldest living residents of the county.

With him came Jeremiah Smith, who settled on the same section.

In 1820, Henry and Cyrus Griswold made a settlement on Sec. 5, T. 11, R. 12.

to the public for their use and benefit. The first interment was that of Elizabeth Jones, who was buried the same year of the laying out of the cemetery. There are over 200 bodies now at rest in this "God's acre."

North cemetery was opened as a private burial place, but was afterward thrown open to the public. The ground was given by Asahel North, whose child was the first to be buried there.

Rodgers' cemetery consists of one acre of ground, donated by W. H. Rodgers.

NEW PROVIDENCE.

This village, better known to the residents of the county as Belltown, was laid out in 1866, the plat of the same being filed for record on the 20th of Feb., of that year, by John Bell, F. M. Bell and Jesse S. Allen. Prior to the inception of the town, however, these parties resided here as is noticed elsewhere. About the earliest attempt at any business at this point was a store started by a man by the name of King, who kept a few groceries.

Shortly after this T. L. Miller opened a store for the sale of general merchandise, who was followed shortly after by B. F. Baldwin. The latter carried a good stock and did a large trade. He removed to White Hall at a later day.

The village of New Providence lies upon the southwest quarter of Sec. 23, of T. 11, R. 12, and contains about 100 inhabitants. At one time this was quite an ambitious little village, but on the railroad passing it by, and the foundation of the town of Berdan, its hopes departed.

One of the first mills in the county was built in 1820, at this place by Thomas and Samuel Allen. In those days, all felt the inconvenience of going nearly to St. Louis to have their grain ground, and the idea of having a mill in their midst pleased everybody, so when Mr. Allen asked for help, they gladly hastened to his assistance, remaining faithfully until the whole thing was completed. But no sooner had it commenced work, than a freshet in the stream washed away the abutment, and left the mill without any water. The settlers gathered again, filling the crevasse with logs, stone, brush, straw, clay, sand, in fact any and everything that was at hand, effectually closing the breech. Soon after, another flood in the stream made an excavation under the building to the depth of about 20 feet, and the mill was again silenced. But willing hands once more were in attendance, and soon the hole was filled up, and the danger of its recurring was guarded against. The mill now commenced an active life, and was a great convenience to the people of this section of this state. It is to the honor of Mr. Allen, that, remembering the timely assistance of his neighbors in time of need, he ground their grain for years without any charge. There was a sawmill run in connection with the mill. This mill they ran for many years, when they tore it down, and built another, which they ran three or four years, when they sold it to F. M. Bell & Bro.

About the year 1857, the old mill having long outlived its usefulness, Francis M. and John Bell and Arthur Davis tore it down, and built what is known as the new mill, which they ran for several years, when it was purchased by

Jesse Allen. In 1869, Henry Tunison became a half owner with Mr. Bell, forming the firm of Bell & Tunison, who ran it for four years. F. M. Bell & Son were the next proprietors, operating it for three or four years, when it was sold to Peter Roodhouse, who was followed by Thomas Johnson in 1876, who operated it for three or four years. It next passed into the hands of the present proprietors, Roodhouse & Strang, in 1882.

When this mill was first built, by the Bell Bros., it cost about $10,000. It was run by water power for a time, but they finally purchased an engine, at a cost of about $3,000. It is three stories in height, well constructed, is equipped with three run of buhrs, and all the necessary machinery.

REPRESENTATIVE CITIZENS.

J. D. Pinkerton was born in Greene county, Ill., Jan. 28, 1847, and is a son of John F. F. and Margaret E. (McDonald) Pinkerton, his father a native of Tennessee, his mother of Kentucky. His father came to Greene county at an early day, and located near Berdan, where he lived several years, and then moved to New Providence, where he has since resided. J. D. was brought up on a farm where he has spent most of his life. In 1881 he commenced engineering, running the engine of the flouring mill of Thomas Johnson, for some time, in New Providence. He has for the last two years turned his attention to farming, and is now thus engaged. He cultivates about 50 acres of land and owns 14 lots, in partnership with his brother, Wiley B., in the village where he resides. He was united in marriage, Nov. 23, 1884, with Sarah I. (Crump) Lynn, daughter of Eli Crump. She has a family of four children by her first husband—Etta, Ada, Harry and Myrtle. Mr. Pinkerton is an intelligent, industrious citizen, and well respected in this community.

Ahirah and Rosanna (Hall) Clifford, are natives of North Carolina. Ahirah was born July 15,1811,and Rosanna Aug. 12, 1816. They remained in their native state until the spring of 1866, when they removed to Cannon county, Tenn., where they lived until the fall of 1868. From there they removed to Caldwell county, Ky., only remaining therr a short time, when in 1869 they came with their family to Greene county, Ill., locating near Wilmington, where they lived about three years. Their next move was to Crawford county, Kan., where they staid three years, then moved to Montgomery county in the same state, remaining there six months, and then returned to Illinois, locating in Jersey county, where they bought a small tract of land, and farmed there until 1882, when they moved to New Providence, bought property there and have since made it their home. He was married Feb. 5, 1835, to Rosanna Hall, daughter of Moses and Lydia (Hunter) Hall. By this union there were eight children, seven of whom are living—Lydia S., wife of John Henkle, living in Kansas; Samantha M., wife of Zadoc L. Gaither, residing in Jersey county; John H. married Mary Hayes, resides in New Providence; Rachel Emeline, wife of Milton Williams, resides in Jersey county; William M., married Susan Ogle, and resides in New Providence; James W. and Joseph G.,

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An Index to Greene County Marriages 1850-1870

An Index to the 1850 Census of Greene County, Illinois

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The 1850 Census of Jersey County, Illinois was published by the Yakima Valley Genealogical Society, P.O. Box 445, 98907 in 1976. For an SASE they will send a brochure of their publications and prices. They have compiled and published several Illinois records there in Yakima, Washington.

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"Historical Sketches of Jersey County, Ill."
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"History of Greene & Jersey Counties, Ill."
(Springfield, Ill.), 1885

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Andreas, Lyter & Co.
(Davenport, Iowa), 1872

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HISTORY OF GREENE COUNTY, ILLINOIS, AND ANNEXED TERRITORY, 1821.

While our part of West Central Illinois was included in St. Clair County records in 1809, it is doubtful that there were many white men among the Indians inhabiting the land. By virtue of the powers vested in the Governor of the Territory, Ninian Edwards, the County of Madison was laid off the "14th day of September, 1812, and the Independence of the United States the thirty-seventh".

It is well for the genealogical researcher to be aware of the fact that all legal records would be kept in Madison County until the 20th of January 1821 when Greene and its territory, which now includes Jersey, Macoupin, Cass, Morgan and Scott, would be in the courthouse at Carrollton, Illinois. Morgan Territory, formed January 31, 1823, included Cass and Scott. See dates below showing the beginning of each county's records.

Greene....20 Jan 1821	Cass..... 3 Mar 1837
Morgan....31 " 1823	Scott.....16 Feb 1839
Macoupin..17 " 1829	Jersey....28 " 1839

Note: for historic misconceptions and reports -- "Old Morgan" was never in Sangamon County, except for a small portion of Cass north of Indian Creek. Middle Illinois was referred to as "Sangamon Country", and had nothing to do with the COUNTY of the same name; therefore, no legal records for land, marriages, etc. are in Springfield, except those records which were eventually put in the State Archives, such as, land records of all the Districts, state census reports, etc. Also land records for those townships and ranges between Indian Creek and Sangamon River. [in Sangamon Court House].

This issue of our Quarterly of the *Geneal Journal* will specialize in Greene County records; however, early Madison county marriages will be included since many are undoubtedly the same families as came to our local counties in West Central Illinois. The marriages, copied from a Madison County History, include those from June 21, 1813 until May 3, 1819. We do not have their marriages from then until January 20, 1821 when Green County records began. Does anybody have these copied? If so, we would to receive a copy to publish.

Among early settlers of Greene Territory were David Stockton and James Whiteside who settled south of Macoupin creek, June 10, 1817. The next year Samuel Thomas and others made permanent settlements in the limits of Greene and Jersey counties, which increased, in about 3 years, to that point of population and importance as to ask a divorce from Madison County. The petition was granted, by Act of Assembly, in 1821 and the county seat was located at Carrollton April 26th.

The first dwelling north of Macoupin creek, was a log building erected by Samuel Thomas August 1818, on the site of his present residence. [1873 Atlas].

General Jacob Fry cut the timber of which the first house was built in Carrollton. The first death of a permanent citizen occurred in the early part of 1819, and Mr. Fry manufactured the coffin from a walnut tree, split in puncheons, and planed, which formed the boards used in its construction.

The first marriage occurred in the spring of 1820, that of William Stockton to Miss Peggy McFadden. [listed as Margaret Fadgin, in our records.]

Among the pioneer preachers of the county were the Rev. C.J. Gardiner, Newton, and Joseph Piggott. The first school teacher was William Scott. The first log school house was erected 1820 south of Macoupin creek. Samuel Lee, Jr., was appointed and officiated as the first county clerk, assessor and collector, Thomas Carlin the first sheriff. The first grand jury was composed of John Finley, Martin Wood, Thomas Gilleland, Nathaniel Wass, Cyrus Tollman, Isaac Pruitt, James McFadgin, John Morland, Walter McFarland, Hugh Jackson, Jacob Fry, Charles Gregory, Willis Webb, Christian Link, John and William Costley, William Webb and Philip Fry. [For biogs listed of other settlers see p.25 "Jvl. Geneal Journal" Dec. 1975, Vol. III issue 4.]

The first coroner was Jacob Waggoner. The first court was held in a small frame building near the public square. The first justices of the peace, appointed in 1822, were Samuel Lee and Alexander King. The first execution was that of Patrick Cavanaugh in the spring of 1832. He was executed for the murder of a little boy by the name O'Laughlin. The present court house was built in 1832. [This is from the 1873 ATLAS - a more recent courthouse now.]

Town or City	laid off	by	now called
Carrollton	26 Apr 1821	Thomas Carlin	
Whitehall	8 Mar 1832	David Barrow	
Athens	2 Oct 1834	Green Weaver	Athensville
Greenfield	29 Nov 1834	G. W. Allen	
Fayette	9 Jul 1835	Bostwick, Metcalf & Blair	
Columbiana	24 Sep 1835	Solomon Bushnell (once a prominent shipping point)	
Woodville	10 Oct 1835	Amond Wood, and others	Woody
Wilmington	18 May 1836	Henderson & Higbee	Patterson
Walkersville	14 Jul 1836	John Walker	
Homer		Perry Hairs & Merrick	
Berdan	1 Sep 1865	Kellogg, Olmstead & Worcester	
Kane	2 Nov 1865	Tobias Holliday	
Roodhouse	20 Apr 1866	John Roodhouse	
New Providence	5 Aug 1867	Fred Sunkel & Bro (on Macoupin Creek)	
Barrow	1 Feb 1871	A. W. Barrow	
Sheffield	18 Jul 1871	L. F. Williams	Rockbridge
Hanks Station	8 Sep 1871	Thomas Hanks	Drake
Wrightsville	18 Jun 1871	A. J. Wright	Wrights

Happyville is now called Hillview, Farrowtown is Eldred. Newport Landing was the early day point of embarkation for pioneers from keel boats on the Illinois River.

The first newspaper established in Greene was *The Backwoodsman*. Its publication was begun in 1837, at Grafton, with Paris Mason publisher, and John Russell, of Bluffdale, its editor. In this paper appeared many of the verses and essays which have given Mr. Russell such a reputation as a writer. After the organization of Jersey County *The Backwoodsman* was removed to Jerseyville, where it was published by A. S. Tilden, son-in-law of Russell, afterward by Fletcher & Parenteau. During the management of the latter gentlemen the office burned down, and Edward F. Fletcher removed to Carrollton where he commenced the publication of the first paper in the present limits of Greene County, the *People's Advocate*. It was printed in a brick building on the south side of the Square, now the property of George Wright. The *Carrollton Gazette* was established June 1846 by G.B. Price.

Bluffdale, north of what is now Eldred, was a postoffice for 75 years in the home built by John and Laura Ann (Spencer) Russell. Their son Spencer Gideon continued its operation after his parents. The old rock house, built around 1828, is still used by their descendants. These were the great-grandparents of Annie Keller who gave her life protecting her students at Centerville School 50 years ago during the tornadic weather of April 19, 1927.

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Copies of the Greene County Marriages, as typed by Lucy Ball, giving name of bride and groom, with marriage date and name of officiate, are on file at the Illinois State Historical Library, the Jacksonville Public Library, with our Society at P.O. Box 21, and at the Carrollton Public Library in the Greene County Historical Society files. Researchers in those area can see the entire record from 1821 to 1870. Also on file 3rd floor Genealogical Library in Lincoln Library, 7th Street, Springfield Il.

GREENE COUNTY MARRIAGES

1821

GROOM	BRIDE	DATE
ALLEN, William	Polly Pinkerton	Sept. 4
CARLIN, Hugh	Sally King	Oct. 13
HODGES, David	Louise Wentworth	May 1
(first marriage in Greene County)		
JOHNSON, John	Rachel Buchanan	June 26
LARRISON, Levi	Rebecca Ennis	Oct. 24
MC DOW, Robert	Esther Lofton	Oct. 30
MEDFORD, John	Rachel Little	Sept. 3
MILLER, David	Lourning Finley	Oct. 13
MOORE, William	Huldah Hunnicutt	July 24
PIERCE, Joseph	Sally Ennis	July 31
PIPER, John	Juliana Fahnstock	Oct. 23
PIPER, Robert	Rebecca Lynn	July 2
SINCLAIR, Robert	Anna Vaughn	Aug. 18
STOCKTON, William	Margaret McFadgin	Aug. 4
WELCH, Morris	Mary Shelly	July 14
WHITNELL, Ryley	Elizabeth Crane	July 30
WILLIAMS, John	Chaney Johnson	Dec. 25

1822

ASHER, Thomas	Sally Swanson	Dec. 5
BARROW, Peter	Nancy Pullam	Jan. 10
BOWEN, Andrew	Peninah Harding	Aug. 16
COOPER, Archibald	Polly Montgomery	Dec. 26
COSTLEY, John	Peggy Allen	Feb. 19
DULEN, James	Betsey Handley	July 20
DUFF, Hiram	Lucinda Thacker	Dec. 25
FINNEY, George	Margaret Criswell	May 29
FRENCH, Felix	Polly Thomas	Nov. 5
HINTON, Alfred	Letitia Pruitt	June 19
JAMES, Robert	Eleanor Pea	June 17
LUND, Oliver	Eulalie Ruble	April 24
LYON, James M.	Polly Miller	Dec. 30
MORROW, Isaac	Phoebe Barrown	Dec. 18
PIERCE, Stephen	Edie Lee	August 8
PINCKARD, Nathaniel	Sally Lindsey	Nov. 6
PINKNEY, Samuel	Polly Reed	March 28
SCOTT, James	Mary Cowhick	Oct. 14
SINCLAIR, Isaac	Melinda Pruitt	May 15
TABOR, Jacob	Mary Gragen	Oct. 5
VAUGHN, John	Hester Crane	Feb. 19
VANMETER, Joseph	Peggy Taylor	May 28
WEBSTER, Jedidiah	Lucy Smith	July 9
WILCOX, Bordon	Almira Kellog	Jan. 10
YOUNG, Jacob	Jenny Kinkaid	Jan. 22

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The Greene County Marriages are indexed and on file with the Jacksonville Gen. & Hist. Society through 1870. Copies are at the Jacksonville Public Library, Illinois State Historical Library, and the Sangamon Valley Genealogical Library in Lincoln Library, Springfield.

Marriages prior to 1821 are on file at the Madison County Clerk's office in Edwardsville, Illinois.

EARLY RESIDENTS OF GREENE COUNTY

Following the individual name below is the place of birth, when known, and then the date of arrival in Greene County. If an individual was born in Greene County, the date following will be the date of birth.

NAME	BIRTHPLACE	ARRIVAL IN GREENE CO.
ACHERBACK, Peter	Hesse Darmstadt,Germany	1848
ADAMS, G.K.	Greene County	1844
" Joseph	Onandaga County, N.Y.	1844
ADMIRE, Thomas S.	Greene County	1839
ALLEN, Alfred B.	Lincoln County, Mo.	1870
" Alonzo	Greene County	1837
" Benny	South Carolina (born 1792)	1818
" E. W.	Greene County	1832
" Elizabeth	??	1819
" George B.	Greenfield, Ill.	1842
" George W.	??	1832
" James	Greene County	1835
" Jesse	Davidson County, Tenn.	1835
" John	Greene County	1819
" Thomas	??	1823
" W. M.	Greene County	1830
" W. S. G.	Greenfield, Ill.	1837
" William	??	1819
" Zachariah	??	1819
AMOS, George H.	Maryland	1841
" J.H.	Greene County	1839
" Mary T.	Rutherford County, Tenn.	1830
ANDERSON, Thomas K.	Oldham County, Ky.	1839
ANDREW, Jacob	Butler County, Penn.	1835
ANDREWS, N. J.	Kentucky	1836
" William W.	Dinwiddy County, Va.	1835
ARMSTRONG, C. (Dr.)	Rogerville, Tenn.	1849
" Mrs. D. J.	Hawkins County, Tenn.	1853
" George J.	Lincoln County, Tenn.	1851
" J. M.	Pike County, Ill.	1868
" John	??	1832
" Joseph	Greene County	1847
ASHFORD, George	Frederick County, Va.	1844
" Hiram	Pickaway County, Ohio	1844
ASHLOCK, George K.	Greene County	1845
" H. C.	Greene County	1865
" H. H.	Greene County	1859
" J. T.	Greene County	1851
" William	Anderson County, Tenn.	1828
" William	Anderson County, Tenn.	1828
" William H.	Greene County	1847

ASKINS, Mrs. Margaret	??	1834
ATTERBERRY, Peter	Macon County, Ill.	1857
AULTRIM, Joseph	??	1833
BAINES, Jane	Yorkshire, England	1848
BAINS, Sol	??	1819
BAKER, W. C.	Scott County, Ill.	1856
BALDWIN, A. J.	Ohio	1850
" B. F.	Warren County, Ohio	1850
" Elias V.	Warren County, Ohio	1848
" F. M.	Warren County, Ohio	1850
" George E.	Warren County, Ohio	1850
" J. W.	Warren Connty, Ohio	1850
" Lou	Warren County, Ohio	1850
" T. J.	Warren County, Ohio	1850
BALLINGER, J. F.	Garrard County, Ky.	1839
BANDY, Elihu	Virginia	1827
" James L.	Greene County	1841
" N. C.	Sumner County, Tenn.	1850
BANGS, Oliver	??	1820
BANNING, Alexander	??	1828
" Benoi	??	1828
BARNETT, George	GreeneCounty	1837
" Joseph	Greene County	?
BARR, Rev. Hugh	??	1835
BARROW, Alfred	Greene County	1834
BARTHOLOMEW, B. B.	England	1859
BARTON, I. S.	Lancaster County, Penn.	1857
BATCHELDOR, William P.	Macoupin County, Ill.	1855
BATTY, William	Yorkshire, England	1836
BAUER, P.L.	Germany	1860
BECHDOLDT, Henry	Bavaria	1838
BEDEL, Lavinia	??	1823
BEEBE, A.	Delaware County, Ohio	1836
" Milo	Delaware County, Ohio	1836
BELL, F. M.	??	1819
" Francis	??	1819
" J. A.	Mason County, Ill.	1851
BELLEW, James H.	Jersey County, Ill.	1857
BELT, F. M.	Madison County, Ill.	1819
BEMAR, J. L.	??	1835
BENEAR, William H.	Fauquier County, Va.	1834
" J.E.	Greene County	1855
" J. E.	Greene County	1861
" L. H.	Greene County	1858
BERRY, William T.	Fayette County, Ky.	1835
BIEDERBECK, J. N.	Blount County, Tenn.	1853
BIRCH, George W.	Greene County	1844
BISHOP, James	Rutherford County, Tenn.	1830

MELVIN, T. E.	Washington County, Tenn.	1830
METCALF, G. B.	Greene County	1848
" James	??	1834
MILLER, David	??	1826
" Francis	Greene County	1822
" James	Greene County	1826
MILLION, Elijah F.	Stafford County, Va.	1850
" John M.	Madison County, Ky.	1849
" M. W.	Stafford County, Va.	1843
MILNES, John	Yorkshire, England	1848
MITCHELL, A.	Putnam County, Ind.	1864
" A. K.	Bath County, Ky.	1835
" J.G.	Greene County	1838
" N. L.	Bath County, Ky.	1835
" O. H.	Madison County, Ohio	1872
" William	Nottinghamshire, England	1852
MOORE, D. B.	Somerset County, N. J.	1869
MORFOOT, Daniel	Yorkshire, England	1821
" J. F.	??	1821
MORRIS, M.	??	1826
" Marvel	Robinson County, Tenn.	1829
MORROW, Jesse	Rowan County, N. C.	1819
" John A.	Greene County	1848
" M.	??	1828 [38?]
" T. A.	??	1828
" William	??	1823
MORTON, ____	??	1822
MULBERRY, J. V.	Scott County, Ky.	1852
MYTINGER, Francis M.	Preble County, Ohio	1857
NASH, Alfred D.	Greene County	1841
" G. W.	Greene County	1849
" H. P.	Greene County	1838
NETTLES, William	Perry County, Penn.	1840
NEWBOLD, W. H.	Hamilton County, Ohio	1866
NICHOLS, M. T.	Jefferson County, Va.	1866
NOLAN, John (Sr.)	Kentucky	1845
NORRIS, Henry	??	1829
NORTON, Lucius S.	??	1843
" Ethan A.	Herkimer County, N. Y.	1823
NORVEIL, L. A.	Union County, Ohio	1866
NOWALK, John	Bohemia, Germany	1867
NULTON, Col. J. B.	Washington County, Ohio	1841

ODEL, Reuben	??	1828
" William	Greene County	1825
ODOM, William W.	??	1835
OGLE, Josiah	??	1831
ORR, William L.	Washington County, Penn.	1854
OSBORN, B. F.	??	1830
OVERBY, L.	??	1829
OZBUN, B. F.	??	1834
PAGE, Elizabeth	??	1831
" Reuben	??	1831
PAINTER, Fannie	??	1823
" George	Ross County, Ohio	1848
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at St. Louis, Captain Madison assuming command. They were placed in charge of a battery of heavy artillery, consisting of five 24-pound siege guns, and one 64-pound howitzer, for service in the field; were ordered from St. Louis to Pittsburg Landing; arrived there the night before the first day's battle of Shiloh. The battery opened fire from the last line about 3 o'clock Sunday afternoon, and did brilliant service, aiding materially with its heavy fire in checking the enemy's advance. On the second day one of the guns and the howitzer were sent to the front. The battery was hauled by oxen on the movement against Corinth, and was called by the troops the "Bull Battery." At the battle of Corinth Capt. Chapman was in command of the battery, which did effectual service. He was afterward brevetted major, but was never mustered. The company was stationed at Corinth until January of 1864, when it was ordered to Memphis, turned over the heavy guns, and took charge of a battery of light artillery; was ordered on the Sturgis raid, and took part in the disastrous battle of Guntown. On the retreat, the guns had to be abandoned in a swamp. The company returned to Memphis, ordered to Columbus, Kentucky, and saw no further service, their term of enlistment soon expiring. They were mustered out at different dates, as their terms expired, and received their discharge and payment at Springfield, Illinois. They had done great service for their country at two critical moments in two of the greatest battles of the war.

Such is a sketch of the war record of this county in the great Rebellion. But it is not yet complete. There yet remains to be mentioned the noble part taken by those who did not go into active service. We honor him who lays down his life for his country or risks it in her defence. But those who contributed of their treasure liberally, that the soldier might go to the front feeling that his family were amply provided for; those who furnished the sinews of war, are not less worthy of honor. Macoupin county paid in bounties to the brave soldier boys the sum of $171,600. In addition there was paid by townships, $32,447 (Staunton being the banner township, paying $7,739,) making a grand total of $204,047. No patriot need blush for such a record as this county made in the *War for the Union*.

CHAPTER XV.

ECCLESIASTICAL HISTORY OF MACOUPIN COUNTY.

BAPTIST CHURCH.

BY ELDER W. W. FREEMAN.

HAVING been requested to write the History of the Baptists in Macoupin county, and being desirous of preserving everything relating to its early settlement, I have consented to do so, with the hope that it may afford to every one who reads, an hour both of pleasure and profit. To do this in a manner satisfactory to all, it is necessary to go back of the settlement in this county and give some details that antedate the recollections of the oldest inhabitants.

As early as 1784 the Rev. Josiah Dodge, a native of Kentucky and Baptist preacher, visited what is now the state of Illinois, and settled within the present limits of St. Clair county. Here it was that the work of evangelistic labor commenced. At that time the whole of the North-west Territory was a part of Virginia, but the Baptists, like other denominations, were anxious to be among the first in offering the helping hand of Christianity to the world. Indeed it may be said that they have not been behind other denominations in recognizing their obligations to give a pure gospel to all mankind, though at that time the country was almost wholly given up to and occupied by hostile Indians, except along the rivers. This man preached to the scattered few American settlers, and under the blessing of God, laid the foundation upon which to rear the vast number of churches in Illinois, which in 1878 amounted to 929, with 653 pastors, and with a membership of 68,074. In 1787 the Rev. James Smith, also a Kentuckian, came into the country and materially aided, by his preaching, in bringing about the results before stated. It was under the preaching of the Rev. Josiah Dodge that James Lemen, Sr., was converted, baptized and united with the Baptist church—he afterward became a preacher, and was the father of Elders James, Moses, Joseph and Josiah Lemen, men who bore a conspicuous part in building up the churches in the state of Illinois, and are remembered with great affection by multitudes throughout the state, and particularly in this and the counties south of here. In 1796 Elder David Badgley and Joseph Chance visited the country, preached to the people zealously and with great success. Converts were multiplied, and they with others were organized into a church by their ministers. This was the first organized body of Baptists in this state. These men lived and labored long, and were finally gathered home to receive their reward. Their descendants still live in Madison and St. Clair counties, the people respecting ancestors and descendants. As converts increased in number, churches were organized, and preaching became general in the sparsely settled neighborhoods, though not frequent. The tide of immigration pushing northward, through Madison county, reached Macoupin in 1815. In 1817 the Rev. John M. Peck, a descendant of the New England Pilgrims, and a native of Connecticut, immigrated to the West and located in St. Clair county. He was an educated man, deeply imbued with a missionary spirit and greatly devoted to the work of spreading the gospel. His labors were most abundant, and never ceased until gathered home. The writer remembers hearing him preach when too weak to stand upon his feet, his congregation, mostly ministers, gathered about him as children around an affectionate father, each anxious to catch the most unimportant word that fell from his lips. As he sat in an armed chair and unfolded the truths of the gospel, he reminded one of John the beloved disciple addressing his younger brethren.

Civilization having reached the northern limit of the American Bottom, settlements were formed on Wood river, east and north-east of Upper Alton, until in 1806, when Rev. William Jones settled there and preached to his neighbors, extending his labors north and eastward as settlements were made. As early as 1817 or perhaps 1815, Mr. Jones came into the present limits of Macoupin county and unfurled the banner inscribed in the motto, "One Lord, One Faith, One Baptism," on Coops creek, near where the road from Woodburn to Carlinville crosses it. He continued at intervals, to the date of his death, to visit the county for the purpose of strengthening his brethren. Men still live in the county who remember this old servant of God with great veneration. He was the grandfather of John R. Jones, of Bunker Hill, who is also an earnest and successful preacher of the gospel. There were many others whose names should be mentioned, but time and space forbid. The following are the churches which have been organized with dates of organization as far as could be ascertained.

CONCORD ASSOCIATION.

Concord Church was constituted June 13th, 1829, by elders William Rogers, Aaron Smith and Thomas Lee, with eight members, as follows: Braxton Maybry, James Maybry, Maximilian Mabry, Nancy Mabry, Sally Mabry, Christian Mabry, Reuben Claringer and Sally Claringer, and has maintained its regular monthly meetings, with rare exceptions, and then only for reasons beyond the control of the members. The membership at present is 34. Rev. Isaac Conlee, who has recently died, was pastor for a great many years. Rev. James Solomon was ordained at the request of this church, and has been engaged in preaching ever since, with good success. The membership of this church, since its organization, has been very large, most of whom have died, while others have been dismissed by letter to join other churches, either in its vicinity or in more remote regions. Notwithstanding there are but few members at present, it still maintains all its meetings with regularity.

Hopewell Baptist Church, located on the south side of Spanish Needle Prairie, is one of the oldest churches in the county; the exact date of its organization has not been received, and therefore cannot be given. It has, however, maintained its regular meetings, and for the last few years has increased in membership, and now has seventeen in all. Like Concord church, during its existence, it has received into its fellowship a great many members, most of whom have died, and others have been dismissed by letter.

Its present pastor is elder George W. Jones, whose post-office address is Hornsby, this county.

Spring Creek is another of the older churches, and located on the south-east corner of section fourteen in Cahokia township, the date of its organization not received, but has, and does still, maintain its regular meeting. Its present membership is nineteen.

Otter Creek has a membership of twenty-six, and holds its meetings regularly. Date of organization, May, 1861, with 13 members. B. B. Piper, first preacher.

Lemen, Austin Sims, Joseph Chance, Wm. Birge, Elijah Dodson, Larkin Craig, Lewis Solomon, Sr., Reuben Kline, Z. Waters, Stephen Conrad, Wm. Fitzgerald, Wm. Rodgers, Wm. Jones, A. Conlee, — Stuteville, Abner Hill, Thomas Lee, S. D. Spainouer, John Barnett, Pleasant Lamar, Isaac Conlee, James Solomon, John Wilton, Wm. Craig, David Gimlin, A. Brownlee, Meshach Browning, Thomas Moore, H. H. Witt, James Mitchell, Thomas Corr, Samuel B. Culp, Samuel Haycraft, John Record, S. B. Redman, H. T. Chilton, Wm. Hill, Aaron Trabue, John Stephens, — Moreland, — Hicks, and Mrs. Middy Hubbard, (now Mrs. M. King.)

ADDENDA.—The church at Staunton was overlooked, however, no data received from it; it belongs to the Edwardsville Association, and in 1875, according to the minutes had a membership of twenty-six.

Bethlehem Baptist Church was also omitted in the regular order; it belongs to the association last mentioned; it is located in what is now called Centerville in this county, and was organized on the sixth day of March, 1851, at the house of Mrs. Bullman near Coops Creek. The council was composed of elders Elijah Dodson, Luke Dillard, and Jacob V. Hopper, with brethren N. H. Flanagan, Dow Dillard of Bunker Hill church, and Isaac Long, Jonathan Huggins and A. J. Coats of Woodburn church. Noah H. Flanagan, moderator, elder J. V. Hopper, clerk. The organization consisted of thirteen members. First pastor elder L. Dillard.—Present membership ten.

THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

BY REV. JOSEPH WINTERBOTTOM.

The *Carlinville Methodist Episcopal Church* is the representative of what was probably the first organized effort at Christian labor in Macoupin county. There may have been preaching by ministers of other denominations previous to 1831, but it seems that there is no history of any attempt to organize a church until the fall of 1831, when the Rev. S. M. Otwell was sent as a missionary to what was called "Macoupin Mission," which embraced besides Macoupin county, the eastern part of Jersey, Greene and the southern part of Morgan counties; it became known as the Carlinville Circuit. The first sermon was preached by the above-named minister in the fall of 1831, at a tavern kept by Mr. Lewis English. Afterward meetings were held in the log court-house, which stood on the south-east side of the square.

The first members were Rev. S. M. Otwell and wife (now Mrs. Mary B. Wright of Carlinville), Mother Tennis, Thomas E. Kendall, Wm. Brown, N. R. Brown and their wives.

In the spring of 1832, Bro. Otwell established the following preaching places; at James Cave's (now Palmyra), Jesse Peebles' (now Chesterfield), Samuel Kellar's (named Forks of Macoupin, near Road's Point), Otter Creek (now Girard). Services were held at the home of Mr. Bird England.

"Dry Point," preaching at Wm. Hunddleson's house. "Sugar Creek" (now Virden) preaching at the home of Titus England. At Staunton, preaching was commenced at the residence of Hosea Snell. Afterward services were held at the school-house.

The first camp meeting held in this county was in the month of August, 1832, in the woods belonging to James Cave, near where the village of Palmyra now stands. The whole neighborhood assisted in preparing the ground; they cut down the trees, split the logs for seats, and made a stand for the ministers from the same rude material. The camp meeting began on Friday, and continued five days. Revs. Peter Cartwright, N. Cloud and Owens assisted.

The first year Rev. Otwell received $100 for his work, which was paid by the mission. With this amount he was expected to live and keep his family.

The second year he was paid by the members, and received $20,00. During second year a part of the time he was engaged in keeping a store. In 1833, Elihu Springer was appointed preacher in charge, and Peter Cartwright Presiding elder.

In 1834, E. G. Falkner was appointed pastor. N. P. Heath was pastor in 1835 and J. B. Woodland for 1836–7.

Carlinville society built their first church edifice in 1834. In 1845 they bought a brick church from the Baptists.

Sabbath-school was organized in 1836, with Bro. Jarret Dugger as first superintendent.

The following is an alphabetic list of stations and circuits, with some facts which we have collected. Very little is said of some churches, not because we are partial, nor are the publishers responsible; we have written as often as three times to the proper parties, but no response have we received.

Brighton Circuit. The present pastor is R. Z. Fahs. This circuit comprises the following societies: Miles, Woodburn, Providence and Asbury. Providence is in Jersey county. Asbury church is built on the line between Macoupin and Jersey counties.

The *Woodburn Church* was built in 1851, and dedicated in 1855 by Dr. Wood, now of Carrollton, Illinois. The present trustees are Thomas King, E. T. Dodson, John Bates, Enoch Hollows. The church has twenty-one members. Miles church is the outgrowth of a class organized by Rev. S. M. Otwell in 1831. During the pastorate of S. W. Waggoner their present church was dedicated, Feb. 12th, 1871, by Robert Allyn, D. D. Trustees: J. R. Miles, J. E. Waggoner, J. B. Andrews, John Montgomery, James Gillham, J. B. Delophian. The following have been pastors: J. W. Lowe, J. W. Caldwell, A. L. Greenlaw, A. L. Hourin.

Brighton and Paradise. J. B. Reynolds has been pastor since the fall of 1878. For statistics see table at the end of this article.

Bunker Hill. In 1841 a Methodist minister named Zimmerman organized a class of five persons, namely, John Rice, Jonathan Squires, Mary A. Squires, Abraham Cramp, Sarah Cramp. Services were held at first in Mr. Squires' cabin, once in three weeks, afterward in the village school-house. The circuit embraced Mr. Deck's house (near Alton) Highland, and Spanish Needle. In 1845 there was but one family in the place, that of George Sanders. In 1849 the class was reorganized with John Evans as class-leader. Just south of the Town Hall in 1851 was erected their first church, which was sold to the town in 1859.

During the pastorate of G. W. Waggoner, a revival of much power added to the church seventy-five members. This made a demand for a larger building, and a brick edifice was erected at a cost of $7,000. The church was blessed again with an abundant harvest in 1864, while Norman Allen was pastor. They have a flourishing Sabbath-school of two hundred and sixty, and a most regularly attended prayer meeting.

Pastors—J. B. Wollard, James Meldrum,—Meldrum, J. A. Scarritt, Charles Atkinson, C. J. T. Tolle, Joseph Earp, J. W. Caldwell, J. B. Corrington, Wm. Jesse Grant, J. W. Lane, John Vancleve, D. D., J. A. Smith, C. B. Holding, J. Gibson, W. S. Sly and W. H. Tyner. Trustees—W. O. Jencks, J. R. Meldrum, B. Fisher, Sumer Cole, J. Moore, J. G. Auer, E. Garrett.

Carlinville Station was established in October, 1852—Pastors—Wm. Stevenson, Wm. S Prentice, Levi C. Pitner, J. H. Moore, W. M. Grable, J. H. Barger, Geo. Rutledge, A. S. McCoy, W. F. Short, Preston Hood, James Seaton, G. R. S. McElfresh, M. D. Hawes. Trustees: Miles Graham, Ferdinand Taggart, J. D. Weaver, Geo. W. Woods, J. I. Rinaker, Wm. Phelps, J. M. Valentine, Stephen Womack, A. C. Snyder.

Chesterfield is one of the oldest churches in the county; it was established during the pastorate of S. M. Otwell in 1831–2. The church was built in 1845, and is still in good condition. The first parsonage was erected in 1850, the second in 1859. Some of the early Local Preachers were Jesse Peebles, Wm. Hart, L. L. Harlow. The early class-leaders were Jesse Peebles, John Peebles, Jesse Reams. Pastors—Otwell, Springer, Blackwell, Woolard, Worthington, N. P. Heath, Robins, Chambers, J. B. Corrington, Faulkner, Holliday, B. Newman, Cassady, A. Bradshaw, Wm. Owen, A. Semple, Sterrit, Jesse Peebles, Baker, I. Emerson, Powers, Paxton, Mcginnis, R. Honald, Franklin, Dillon, T. C. Wolfe, J. B. Meig , Peter Slagle, P. Drake, G. D. Randall, S. T. Hawkins, A. Sloan, Wm. R. Carr.

Gillespie. The earliest record we have of the church at this place was in 1855. At that time it was a mission in the Alton District with an appropriation of one hundred dollars of missionary money. Rev. R. Randall was the first pastor. In 1856 the church numbered ninety-one members and nine probationers, and property valued at $450. With J. D. Gilham pastor, the next year, 1857, the church numbered 111 members and 15 on probation; with church property worth $600, and T. M. Boyle pastor, the membership continued to increase so that in 1858, the church numbered 193 members, and 24 probationers. That year the church was transferred to the Litchfield district, and T. W. Jones Pastor. The church has continued to grow in usefulness, members and wealth. A Sabbath-school was early established, which has been doing much good. Those persons who have officiated as pastor in

BUNKER HILL TOWNSHIP.

THE site of the present town of Bunker Hill was once a prairie, known in the early settlement of Macoupin county as Wolf ridge, from the fact that it was much frequented by wolves, and contained their dens and breeding places.

The earliest inhabitants of the country, of whom we have any knowledge, were the Peoria, Kickapoo and Winnebago Indians, who had a grand camping ground near the Creamery, north-east of Bunker Hill. On their journeyings north and south they were accustomed to stop here near a large spring of water. But with the advent of the white settlers the red men disappeared, and the last seen of them was in the year 1826, when the five wigwams which stood at the head of Wood river were pulled down and the savages left for a country further west, where their haunts were less likely to be disturbed by the advance of civilization.

The first entry of land dates back to July 31st, 1827, when William Jones entered eighty acres in section 33. Howard Finley entered eighty acres in section 21, January 25th, 1830; and Alexander Conlee 160 acres in section 29, March 17th, 1830.

One of the earliest settlers of the township was John Cooper, a native of Tennessee, who built a house on the edge of the prairie, in section 28, a short distance west of where the railroad now runs. Cooper died in Madison county, and all vestiges of his pioneer cabin have long since disappeared.

In the year 1825, Howard Finley and Daniel Branscomb settled on the east side of the East Fork of Wood river. Finley was a Tennesseean. The second house which he built, and in which he lived for a number of years, was on the east half of the south-east quarter of section 21. He died in Greene county of this state. The year 1827 witnessed the coming of James Breden and his family.

Breden was the first justice of the peace in the township, and held that office for more than twenty years. Two sons, Wiley Breden and John F. Breden, and a daughter, the wife of Edward Baucon, are now living in the township. John F. Breden and his mother reside on the same place where James Breden settled. Simeon Jones was also an early settler of the township. He was born and raised in Madison county, his father having emigrated to this state at an early day. For a number of years Simeon Jones was school treasurer of the township. Jonathan L. Wood came in 1830. In the year 1830, also, Benjamin Davis and his sons, Jefferson, Isaac, Alfred and David Davis made a settlement in the north-west corner of the township. The Davis family was originally from North Carolina, but came to Illinois from Tennessee. James Wood, in 1831, settled the farm in section 30, now owned by his son, David Wood. He was born in Loudon county, Virginia. He had five sons, three of whom, Samuel, David B., and James E. Wood, are now living in the township. A Tennesseean, named William McPike, settled in section 30, in 1831, and died there after a residence of a number of years. Mrs. Millie Bayless and her sons, Reese, John, George, and Daniel Bayless, became residents of the township also in 1831. Reese Bayless and John Bayless were prominently connected with the old militia, Reese holding the position of colonel, and John that of adjutant. Both were in the Black Hawk war. In the vicinity of the Corneilson mound, or as it was sometimes called, "Tickey Mound," in section 29, the early settlers were Daniel Littrel, Alexander Conley, John Murphy and John Corneilson. Charles Collyer was also an early resident of the township, as were also Finley Jones and Moses Jones. John T. Wood came in 1831.

In the neighborhood of the Springfield road, settlements were made by William Wood, Isaac Wood, Alfred Wood, James Wood, Ephraim Wood, Anthony Linder, George Howland, Elijah Lincoln, Dr. Budden, Samuel Buell, and Charles Goodnight. The Woods had been raised in Madison county. Dr. Budden was the first physician to reside in the township. In 1833 the town of LINCOLN was laid out two miles to the south of Bunker Hill, on the present farm of J. V. Hopper, by Messrs. Tuttle and Lincoln, but a log-cabin and a frame house marked the farthest progress to which the town ever attained.

A post-office was established in 1833, and called "Lincoln," and Anthony Linder was appointed post-master. He was succeeded by Mr. Cook. Samuel Buell took charge of the office in 1837, and in November of the same year the post-office was transferred to Bunker Hill. Josiah Richards acted as assistant post-master. Nathaniel Phillips was the first post-master appointed after the removal of the office to Bunker Hill. There has been a post-office at Woodburn since 1837.

On the east side of Wood river, in section 33, the first mill in the township, propelled by ox power, was put in operation by Moses Jones. Dr. Budden erected another mill soon afterward, on the prairie, about a mile south-west of Bunker Hill. The first school-house in the township stood on section 21, and was afterward moved to section 22. Mr. Richardson was the first teacher, and he was succeeded by Josiah B. Harris. About 1831 a school-house was built on section 20, on land belonging to John T. Wood. John Wilson, Jesse Wood, and Aaron Leyerly were also early school teachers in the township.

In the school-house which stood on section 21, the first sermon was preached in the township by Elder William Jones. He was a member of the Baptist denomination, with which a great part of the early settlers of the township were connected Elder Alexander Conley was the first minister to reside in the township. The Rev. Mr. Gimlin was another of the pioneer "Hard Shell" Baptist preachers. The first church was build by the "Hard Shell" Baptists, and stood on section 33. The second was the Congregational church at Woodburn. The first couple married in this township were Finley Jones and Mary Conley; and the second Daniel Branscomb and a Miss Gregg. John Finley was the first child born.

The assessors books for 1879 show the following facts concerning Bunker Hill township:

Acres improved land, 20,516; value, $138,184: acres unimproved lands, 2,359; value $5,799: total value of lands, $143,983: value of lots, $69,254. Horses, 668; value, $10,581; cattle, 1,312; value, $9,767; mules, 90, value, $4,496; sheep, 557; value, $559; hogs, 1,422; value, $1,207; carriages and

of section 33. The portion of town on section 4 was laid out by D. N. Solomon, in the year 1855. The north portion, on section 33, was laid out by J. F. Nifong and H. Berry, in 1855. The old town of Newburg was situated on section 4, and was laid out in 1835, by James Cave. The first house was built by William Owens, in 1835; it was a log building. The first hotel was kept by W. B. Gardiner. Scott & Bosworth kept the first store. The first post office was kept by Oakes Shaw, in the year 1841. The first blacksmith shop was started by James L. Warfield. The first church was built by the Cumberland Presbyterians, in the year 1857. The first sermon was preached in the house of Oakes Shaw, by the Rev. L. S. Williams, a Presbyterian, in 1838. The first school was taught by Miss Eliza Hersey, in the fall of 1836. The first physician was Dr. Thornton, who located here in the spring of 1840. Another early physician was Dr. H. J. Vanwinkle.

About the year 1842 the town had its name changed from that of Newburg to Cummington, and continued by that name for about thirteen years, at which time new buildings were erected a little west of the old town and on a more desirable site. The ground was higher and afforded some shade. Business was changed to the new part of the town. A new name was given to the village, and from that time it has been called "Palmyra." After the survey and laying out of the town, in 1855, it received a fresh impulse. Shops, stores, &c., were put up in rapid succession. A hotel was built on the north side by R. F. Bracken, in 1855.

The first church edifice was erected by the Christians, in 1867. The first preacher was G. M. Goode.

The first mill was built by A. C. Farmer, F. E. Shaw and J. F. Nifong, in the year 1856. Subsequently Nifong & Solomon built a saw mill.

Some of the present business houses and buildings in the village are:

Dry Goods and Groceries—Solomon and Martin, T. W. Chiles & Son. *Blacksmiths*—A. C. Hulse, Barron & McFarland, and H. Meyer. *Flour, Carding, and Saw Mill*—Farmer, Young & John. *Hotel Proprietors*—Z. C. Ridgway; P. S. Drake. *Drugs and Groceries*—Robert Bramley. *Physicians*—R. J. Allmond, W. A. Allen, Sprinkle & Carlile, Charles E. Smith. *Agricultural Implements*—Richie & Gardner. *Churches*—Christian, built 1867; Methodist, 1868; Cumberland Presbyterian, 1878. *School building* 24x36 feet, two stories high. The people are energetic, social and intellectual.

BENEVOLENT SOCIETIES OF THE VILLAGE OF PALMYRA.

*Palmyra Lodge No. 463 A. F. A. M.** The first officers were installed October A. D., 1866, by Past Grand Master W. C. Shirley.

Thornton G. Capps, W. M.; Caleb Capps, S. W.; W. B. Searcy, J. W.; D. N. Solomon, Treas.; R. J. Allmond, Secy.; A. C. Hulse, S. D.; J. I. Hollingsworth, J. D.; Joseph H. Crouch, S. S.; J. O. Norris, J. S.; Thomas Barron, Tyler.

Charter Members—George W. Atwood, E. W. Cheek, W. C. Day, J. L. Day, W. Dotey, Robert Foster, A. C. Farmer, W. B. Gardner, C. Y. Padgett, W. C. Howard, J. B. Liston, J. F. Nifong, A. P. Hoyt, Israel Pierce, W. H. Ross, T. B. Ross, W. G. Ross, E. W. Richey, Geo. O. Solomon, S. J. Steidley, C. G. Simonds, Byron Thompson, W. A. Vancil, with above officers, making in all thirty-three, of whom sixteen have demitted or died. There are now forty-five master masons belonging to this lodge, with the following installed officers:

* For the above data we are indebted to Dr. R. J. Allmond.

John F. Chiles, W. M.; W. C. Alford, S. W.; John Crum, J. W.; D. N. Solomon, Treas.; R. J. Allmond, Sec'y.; A. C. Farmer, S. D.; John P. Butcher, J. D.; James S. Drake, Tyler.

*Palmyra Lodge,** *No.* 348 *I. O. O. F.*, was organized June 7th, 1867. The first officers were:

R. J. Allmond, N. G.; I. B. Vancel, V. G.; C. T. Hanshaw, Sec'y.; T. W. Chiles, Treas.

The following were charter members: I. B. Vancel, R. J. Allmond, T. W. Chiles, C. T. Hanshaw, Cyrus Ruff, J. F. Chiles, J. B. Rice, J. C. Maddy, A. C. Gardner, and T. M. Ledbrook.*

Supervisors—Dempsey N. Solomon, elected in 1871; re-elected in 1872 and 1873; not represented in 1874; elected in 1875; reelected in 1876, and 1877. (Chairman), Wm. G. Ross elected in 1878; re-elected in 1879.

Town Clerks—Allen C. Gardner, elected in 1871; G. M. Goode, elected in 1872; E. W. Ross, elected in 1873, and re-elected in 1874; J. Etter, elected in 1875. W. E. West, elected in 1876, and re-elected in 1877. G. M. Hess, elected 1878. E. E. McFarlin, elected in 1879.

Assessors—T. H. L. Evans, elected in 1871. F. M. Ragan, elected in 1872. G. Etter, elected in 1873, and re-elected in 1874. J. H. Richardson, elected in 1875. I. V. Lee, elected in 1876. E. Tongate, elected in 1877. Mr. C. Malon, elected in 1878. B. McManus, elected in 1879.

Collectors—W. C. Crum, elected in 1871. E. Tongate, elected in 1872. W. C. Crum, elected in 1873, and re-elected in 1874 and 1875. C. Y. Padgett elected in 1876, and re-elected in 1877. W. T. Conlee, elected in 1878. A. D. Weller, elected in 1879.

The following are the justices of the peace since township organization:—W. O. Clevenger and Mr. Pockington, elected in 1871. J. Duncan and Mr. Clevenger, elected in 1873. M. Loran, elected in 1876. W. E. Vaughn and E. R. Gardner, elected in 1877. R. R. Ragan, elected in 1878.

Constables since township organization:—James Scott and James Etter, elected in 1871. J. H. Cherry and G. W. Wiggins, elected in 1873. M. V. Crouch and E. R. Gardner, elected in 1877. Mr. Conlee and J. T. Gardner, elected in 1878.

Commissioners of Highways.—1871, James C. Galloway, John C. Holloway, Mr. Pockington; 1872, John C. Holloway, Joseph N. Ross; 1873, Joseph N Ross, James S. Thompson, James W. Duncan; 1875, William E. Vaughn; 1876, William G. Ross, Peter L. Denby; 1877, Thomas Sissons; 1878, A. J. Wiser; 1879, B. T. Scott.

To give the valuation of the property of the township we copy the following from the assessor's books of 1879: Acres of improved lands, 12,860; value, $56,506; unimproved lands, 9,526; value, $17,915; total value of lands $74,421; value of lots, $4,420; Horses, 638; value, $9,568; cattle, 1,016; value, $6,998; mules, 143, value, $2,450; sheep, 1,073; $874; hogs, 1,648; value, $1,365; 3 steam engines; carriages and wagons, 215; value, $2,019; 173 clocks and watches, 63 sewing machines, 1 piano, and 13 organs. Total value of personal property, $29,471.

* For the above data we are indebted to Dr. W. A. Allen.

SOUTH OTTER TOWNSHIP.

THIS township is situated in the more northern part of the county, and is bounded on the north by North Otter, on the west by South Palmyra, on the south by Carlinville, and on the east by Nilwood township. It is geographically known as township 11 north, range 7 west. In the eastern portion and most of the southern the land is a beautiful prairie, of a deep, black soil. The north-west portion of the township is covered with a fine growth of timber, the principal kinds being oak, hickory, and cottonwood. Formerly the west and north-west sides, comprising about one-fourth of the township, were timber land. The principal streams are Otter creek and its tributaries. The lands adjoining this stream are heavily timbered, and thus afford an excellent opportunity for stock husbandry. The general surface is undulating, but near the creek the bluffs are quite abrupt, and the soil is mostly clay. The drainage is principally effected by Otter and Grove creeks and their tributaries. Lasting water is found in abundance at distances varying from fifteen to thirty feet below the surface. This township, as well as its principal stream, took its name from the number of otters formerly found along the creek. A part of the village of Nilwood is within its eastern limits.

The first settler, within the present limits of South Otter township, was a man by the name of Days, who moved a log house across Otter creek, from South Palmyra township. The first new buildings were erected by Samuel and Henry Miller; the former completing his house first. Prominent among the earliest settlers of the township may be ranked the names of Henry and Samuel Miller, Irvin and Martin Pullam, Joel Bond, Alvey Graves, William Etter, Comfort Smith, Samuel Clark, David Davidson, J. Adams, T. S. Barrow, M. M. Ross, Robert and Thomas Bacon, G. D. Crawford, and others.

The first physician who came to the township was Dr. Vance.

William M. Clark, son of Samuel and Mary Clark, was born March 14, 1838, and was the first birth in the township.

The first death was that of Mrs. Elizabeth Miller, in September, 1838, at her son's house, on section 30.

The first party married was Samuel Raffurty, to a Mrs. Hoover, in the fall of 1837.

A log school-house was built on section 30, at an early date, and Mrs. Mary Bacon was the first teacher. Annie Dorman succeeded her.

In 1839, Mrs. Mary Bacon organized a Sunday-school at her house, in section 19, which was the first in the township.

Rev. William Vance, a Methodist, and a Rev. Williams, a Presbyterian, preached in the school-house, on section 30, at an early day. The Baptist church, at Hickory Point, was erected in 1869, and is the only one in the township.

Daniel Snyder was the first regular carpenter in the township.

A saw mill, built by Henry Miller in section 30, and run by horse-power, was the first, and in fact the only one in the township. He abandoned it about the year 1850.

The first land entry was made November 8, 1831, by M. P. Pullam an M. Witherow; it consisted of ninety-two acres in section 2. The second, comprising forty acres, lying in section 6, was entered December 5, 1833, by Peter Lair. Another entry, comprising forty acres, situated in section 10, was made on the 26th of May, 1834, by Casper Roland.

Present Old Settlers—The present old settlers of the county, residing in this township, are:—T. G. Barrow, J. Adams, David Davidson, and M. H. Ross, all of whom settled here in the year 1830; G. D. Crawford, who came in 1832, and Robert Bacon, Thomas Bacon, and J. M. Lair, whose residences date from the year 1837. Below we give the statistics of the township from the assessor's book for this year.

Acres improved lands, 17,380, value $107,403; acres unimproved lands, 5,591, value $11,641; total value of lands, $119,044; value of lots, $1,555. There are 668 horses, valued at $8,587; cattle 1,002, value $5,857; mules 137, value $1,958; sheep 694, value $741; hogs 1,596, value $984; carriages 188, value $1,050; 164 clocks and watches, 68 sewing machines, 1 piano, 10 organs. The total value of personal property is $22,245.

The chief agricultural productions are wheat, corn, oats, and hay; and the principal stock raised are cattle, horses, hogs, and sheep.

LIST OF OFFICERS SINCE TOWNSHIP ORGANIZATION.

Supervisors—William H. Johnson, elected in 1871; Robert Bacon, elected in 1872, and '73; Moses Yowell, elected in 1874, '75, '76, and '77; Thomas Mahan, elected in 1878; Moses Yowell, elected in 1879.

Town Clerks—J. M. Yowell, elected in 1871, and '72; P. R. Cox, elected in 1873; W. D. Metcalf, elected in 1874; T. Bacon, elected in 1875, '76, and '77; I. Conlee, elected in 1878 and '79.

Assessors—T. Bacon, elected in 1871; J. D. Johnson, elected in 1872, '73, '74 and '75; R. Bacon, elected in 1876; T. P. Carmody, elected in 1877; R. Bacon, elected in 1878 and '79.

Collectors—M. Smith, elected in 1871; R. Z. Johnson, elected in 1872, and '73; T. Mahan, elected in 1874 and '75; J. W. Johnson, elected in 1876; R. Bacon, elected in 1877; T. Cole, elected in 1878; J. S. Hart elected in 1879.

Justices of the Peace—A. Cunningham, and I. D. Crawford, elected in 1871; J. W. Johnson, and J. M. Lair, elected in 1873; H. J. Howard, and E. J. Palmer, elected in 1877.

Constables—W. B. Gilmore, and B. V. Carey, elected in 1871; T. M. Lair, elected in 1872; G. F. Jones, and S. S. Cole, elected in 1873; L. Harbor, elected in 1874; E. B. Crawford, and T. Bacon, elected in 1877.

Commissioners of Highways—1871, John Conlee, M. Crouch, Joseph Crawford; 1872, M. Smith; 1873, John Conlee; 1874, M. Crouch; 1875, Mortimer Smith; 1876, David Zweifle; 1877, W. H. Jenkins; 1878, M. Crouch, R. Z. Johnson; 1879, R. Z. Johnson, C. F. Alford.

BUNKER HILL,—TWP. 7 NORTH. RANGE 8 WEST.—[CONT'D.]

NAME	P. OFFICE.	RESID.	OCCUPATION.	NATIVITY.	C'ME TO C.
Bainum, Rev. G. W.	B'nk'r Hill	B'r H.	Pastor Congregational Ch	Noble Co. Ohio	1872
Bainum, Mrs. Mary E.	"	"	Wife of R'v. G. W. Bainum	Calvert Co. Md.	1872
Breden, John F.	"	Sec. 15	Farmer and Stock Raiser	Macoup. Co. Ill.	1837
Brown, Mrs. Sarah A.	Woodburn	6	Farmer and Stock Raiser	Otsego Co. N. Y.	1846
Brown, Daniel T.	Died May 29, 1873	Late husband of Mrs. S. A. Brown	Rensselaer Co. N.Y.		1846
Burton, Edward	B'nk'r Hill	B'r H.	Gen. Dry Goods Merch't	Vt.	1838
Burton, Mrs. Mary	"	"	Wife of E. Burton	N. J	1852
Benner, J. G.	Woodburn	Sec. 20	Farmer and Stock Raiser	Germany	1804
Benner, Mrs. Cha'lie W	"	20	Wife of J. G. Benner	Prussia	1804
Baker, George	B'nk'r Hill	B'r H.	General Blacksmithing	England	1854
Baker, Mrs. Eliza'th J.	"	"	Wife of G. Baker	"	1851
Baird, William	"	Sec. 21	Farmer and Stock Raiser	Crit'den Co. Ky.	1845
Baird, Mrs. Abigail	"	21	Wife of Wm. Baird	Macoup. Co. Ill.	1831
Baker, Charles	"	B'r H.	Gen'l Blacksmithing & repair shop	England	1857
Baker, Mrs. Elizabeth	"	"	Wife of C. Baker	"	1857
Cummings, J. F.	"	Sec. 13	Real Estate & Loan Agt. & Not. Pub.	N'w Hampshire	1855
Cummiskey, W. H.	Woodburn	8	Farmer and Stock Raiser	St. Louis, Mo.	1872
Cummiskey, Mrs. M. A	"	8	Wife of W. H. Cummiskey	Macoup. Co. Ill.	1853
Carter, Mrs. Sarah B.	B'nk'r Hill	13	Retired.	Somers't Co. N.J.	1840
Carter, Aaron F.	Died Oct. 23, 1870	Late hus. of Mrs. S. B. C.		Morris Co. N. J.	1840
Cromwell, Richard	B'nk'r Hill	B'r H.	Retired Farmer	Wash'n Co. Md.	1842
Cromwell, Mrs Caroline	"	"	Wife of R. Cromwell	Fred'k Co. Md.	1842
Chamberlain, W. H.	"	Sec. 11	Farmer & Stock Raiser & Dairyman	Madison Co. Ill.	1866
Chamberlain, Mrs. W. J	"	"	Wife of W. H. Chamb'n	Delaware [Co., O.	1866
Camp, Isaac W.	"	B'r H.	Watchmaker & Jeweler	Ashtabula, Wayne	1858
Camp, Mary N.	"	"	Wife of I. W. Camp	Macoup. Co. Ill.	1845
Dorsey, P. H.	"	"	Dealer and Breeder in fine horses	Jefferson Co. Ky	1854
Dorsey, Mrs. Olivia	"	"	Wife of P. H. Dorsey	Wash'gton D. C.	1856
Delano, J. A.	"	"	Druggist and Apothecary	Worc'tr Co Mas	1841
Delano, Mrs. A. W.	"	"	Wife of J. A. Delano	Duch'sCo. N. Y.	1858
Duffy, A.	"	"	Prop. Wood River Coal Mine	Ireland	1860
Duffy, Mrs. Margaret	"	"	Wife of A. Duffy	"	1860
Thomas Carroll	"	"	Prop. Wood River Coal Mine	England	1860
Duncan, E. B.	"	"	House Painter and Deputy Sheriff	Sulliv. Co. Tenn.	1866
Duncan, Mrs. Eliz'bth	"	"	Wife of E. B. Duncan	"	1866
Davis, Eli	Woodburn	Sec. 30	Farmer and Stock Raiser	Macoup. Co. Ill.	1831
Davis, Mrs. Malina	"	30	Wife of E. Davis	Tenn.	1831
Dodson, Elijah T.	"	W'b'n.	Wagon Maker	Macoup. Co. Ill.	1844
Dodson, Mrs. Sarah	"	"	Wife of E. T. Dodson	Ky.	1848
Davis, Edward H.	B'nk'r Hill	Sec. 14	Farmer	Concord, N. H.	1839
Davis, Mrs. Jane H.	"	14	Wife of E. H. Davis	Hunc'k Co. N. H	1838
Davis, Benj.	Died June 12, 1867	Was a Magnetic Physician & Farmer		White Co. Tenn.	1830
Davis, Mrs. Eleanor	Woodburn	Sec. 19	Widow of Dr. B. Davis	Som'shire, Eng.	1837
Edington, Joseph	"	18	Farmer and Stock Raiser	"	1843
Edington, Mrs Eliz'th	Died Mar. 16, 1870	Late wife of J. Edington		"	1843
Ellet, E. C.	B'nk'r Hill	B'r H.	Physician and Surgeon	Philada., Pa.	1839
Ellet, Mrs. Lydia L.	"	"	Wife of Dr. E. C. Ellet	Mon'th Co. N.J.	1849
Fairenkrog, William	"	"	Prop'r of Boarding House & Saloon	Germany	1853
Fahrenkrog, Wilhelmina	"	"	Wife of Wm. Fahrenkrog	"	1864
Goodall, W. W.	"	"	Prop. of Cottage Hotel	Buffalo, N. Y.	1871
Goodall, Mrs. Jean A.	"	"	Wife of W. W. Goodall	Scotland	1850
Gillies, John	Woodburn	Sec. 17	Farmer and Trader	Ayrshire, Scot.	1854
Gillies, Mrs. Martha F.	Died Jan. 5, 1874	First wife of J. Gillies		Madison Co. Ill.	
Gillies, Mrs. Mary A.	Woodburn	Sec. 17	Present wife of J. Gillies	Indiana	
Harrel, Edward F.	"	19	Steamboat Master on Mississippi River	Ky.	1869
Harrel, Mrs. Mary A.	"	19	Wife of E. F. Harrel	Belm't Co. Ohio	1869
Huggins, P. C.	B'nk'r Hill	B'r H.	Pres. B'ker Hill Bank & Ex-Co. Judge	Sulliv. Co. N. H.	1838
Huggins, Mrs. E. F.	"	"	Wife of P. C. Huggins	Conn.	1843
Hayes, E. W.	"	"	Attorney-at-Law.	Frank'n Co. Pa.	1867
Hayes, Mrs. M. F.	"	"	Wife of E. W. Hayes	Cumb'ld Co. Pa.	1870
Hedley, F. Y.	"	"	Post Master	Scotland	1854
Hedley, Mrs. Mary E.	"	"	Wife of F. Y. Hedley	Macoup. Co. Ill.	1846
Harvey, George	"	Sec. 11	Farr. & Bdr. of "Gold Dust" horses	Medina Co. O.	1862
Harvey, Mrs. Tabitha	"	11	Wife of G. Harvey	Hamilton Co. O.	1862
Houck, Mrs. Lucinda A.	Woodburn	7	Widow of R. Houck	Christ'n Co. Ky.	1846
Houck, Ross	Died Dec. 26, 1867	L'e husb'd of Mrs. L. A. H.		Hunt'on Co. Pa.	1846
Jencks, William O.	B'nk'r Hill	B'r H.	Prop. of Livery, Feed & Sale Stable	Provid'ce, R. I.	1854
Jencks, Mrs. Martha A.	"	"	Wife of W. O. Jencks	Bedford Co. Va.	1856
Larue, Isaiah	Woodburn	Sec. 7	Farmer and Stock Raiser	Indiana	1848
Larue, Annie E.	"	7	Wife of I. Larue	Jersey Co. Ill.	1870
Lancaster, F.	B'nk'r Hill	1	Farmer and Stock Raiser	England	1841
Lancaster, Mrs. Elizab.	"	1	Wife of F. Lancaster	"	1843
Lee, Samuel	"	B'r H.	Billiard Parlor & Saloon	Northamptonshire, Eng	1870
Lee, Mrs. Louisa	"	"	Wife of S. Lee	St. Louis, Mo.	1869
Noel, J. L.	"	"	Prop. Livery, Feed & Sale Stable		
Noel, Mrs. Louisa	"	"	Wife of J. L. Noel	Madison Co. Ill.	1859
New, Rev. W.	"	"	Pastor of Annunciation B. V. M.	Germany	1874
Neil, William	"	"	Prop. of Bunker Hill Coal Mines	Scotland	1871
Neil, Mrs. Sarah	"	"	Wife of W. Neil	England	1871
Pennington, James T.	"	Sec. 9	Farmer and Stock Raiser	New Jersey	1837
Pennington, Mrs. S.	"	9	Wife of J. T. Pennington	"	1839
Payne, J. C.	"	B'r H.	Prop. Monument Dlr., Feed & S. Sta.	Fayette Co. Ky.	1844
Payne, Mrs. Eliza	"	"	Wife of J. C. Payne	Tenn.	1851
Pennington, James W.	Woodburn	Sec. 9	Farmer	Macoup. Co. Ill.	1854
Pennington, Mrs. Ann M.	"	9	Wife of J. W. P.	Cass Co. Mo.	1861
Parmenter, Gardiner	B'nk'r Hill	B'r H.	Furnit're dlr. & Undert'kr	Hillsb'h, N. H.	1838
Parmenter, Mrs. Caroline K.	"	"	Wife of G. Parmenter	Grafton "	1856
Parmenter, C. A.	"	Sec. 13	Farmer and Stock Raiser,	Hillsb'h "	1841
Parmenter, Mrs. Mary M.	"	13	Wife of C. A. Parmenter	" "	1842
Pettingill, John A.	"	B'r H.	Prop. of Globe Mills	N. H.	1837
Robbins, Wm. E.	"	Sec. 2	Farmer and Stock Raiser,	Rochester, N.Y.	1874
Robbins, Mrs. M. J.	"	2	Wife of W. E. Robbins	N. Y.	1875
Ritter, William	"	28	Farmer and Stock Raiser	Pa.	1866
Ritter, Mrs. Dorcas	"	28	Wife of Wm. Ritter	Ross Co. Ohio	1866
Ridgley, Richard	B'nk'r Hill	B'r H.	Retired	England	1840
Ridgley, Mrs. Mary A.	"	"	Wife of R. Ridgley	Dorch'er, Mass.	1840

BUNKER HILL,—TWP. 7 NORTH. RANGE 8 NORTH.—[CONT'D.]

NAME.	P. OFFICE.	RESID.	OCCUPATION.	NATIVITY.	C'ME TO C.
Rumbolz, James B.	Woodburn	W'b'n.	House, Sign & Ornamental Painter	Macoup. Co. Ill.	1845
Rumbolz, Gotlob	Died June 24, 1861	Father of J. B. Rumbolz		Germany	1839
Mrs. Susan G. Hayton	Former wife of	Gotlob R., and mother of J. B. R.		Virginia	1838
Raymond, Paul	Woodburn	Sec. 19	Farmer and Stock Raiser	Som'shire, Eng.	1848
Raymond, Martha T.	"	19	Wife of P. Raymond	Macoup. Co. Ill.	1844
Smalley, Samuel	Woodburn	Sec. 8	Far. & Bdr. of fine horses	Som'set Co. N. J.	1841
Smalley, Mrs. Mary D.	"	8	Wife of S. Smalley	Crawford Co. Ill.	1835
Sisson, Jackson	B'nk'r Hill	10	Farmer and Dairyman	Va.	1837
Sisson, Mrs. Nannie C.	"	10	Wife of J. Sisson	Lexington, Ky.	1843
Smalley, Mrs. Hannah M.	"	4	Widow of W. H. Smalley	Oyster Bay, L. I.	1838
Smalley, Wm. Henry	Died Aug. 4, 1870	Late husb'd Mrs H. M. S.		Morris Co. N. J.	1838
Smalley, A. J.	B'nk'r Hill	Sec. 3	Farmer and Stock Raiser	"	1838
Smalley, Mrs. Julia A.	Died Jan. 11, 1871	Late wife of A. J. Smalley		Som'st Co. N. J.	1838
Sanner, S. P.	Shipman	Sec. 6	Farmer and Stock Raiser	Madison Co. Ill.	1862
Sanner, Mrs. N. M.	"	6	Wife of S. P. Sanner	"	1862
Stoldt, August	B'nk'r Hill	15	Far., Thresher & Dairym.	Germany	1854
Stoldt, Mrs. Lena	"	15	Wife of A. Stoldt	"	1851
Sokop, Martin	"	B'r H.	Mfr. of Harness & Saddles	Bohemia	1873
Sokop, Mrs. Emma	"	"	Wife of M. Sokop	Prussia	1873
Wise, Henry.	"	"	Prop. of Custom and Merchant Mill	Wash'n Co. Pa.	1863
Wise, Mrs. Elizabeth	"	"	Wife of Henry Wise	England	
Winchester, E. C.	"	"	Far. & Ex-Co. Surveyor	St. James Parish, La.	1866
Winchester, Mrs. A. C.	"	"	Wife of E. C. Winchester	Ky.	1866
Wood, James E.	Woodburn	Sec. 19	Farmer and Stock Raiser	Cumb'd Co. Ky.	1832
Wood, Mrs. Rosa B.	"	19	Wife of J. E. Wood	St. Clair Co. Ill.	1834
Welch, Richard	"	W'b'n.	General Merchant	England	1857
Welch, Mrs. Grace E.	"	"	Wife of R. Welch	"	1842
Yancey, A. N.	B'nk'r Hill	B'r H.	Attorney-at-Law	Orange Co. Va.	1867
Yancey, Mrs. Belle	"	"	Wife of A. N. Yancey	Louisville, Ky.	1867

SOUTH OTTER,—TOWNSHIP 11 NORTH. RANGE 7 WEST.

Arnett, P. L.	Buford	Sec. 31	Farmer and Stock Raiser	Macoupin Co Ill	1850
Cynthia A. Langley	"	31,	Wife of P. L. Arnett	Erie Co. Pa	1854
Adams, J.	Nilwood	15	Farmer and Stock Raiser	Henry Co. Ky	1830
"	"	15	Wife of J. Adams	Hart Co. Ky	1837
Emeline Peebles	"	22	Farmer and Stock Raiser	Greene Co. Ill	1857
Allen, Wm. P.	"	22	Wife of W. P. Allen	Macoupin Co. Ill	1860
Rebecca J. Conlee	Buford	31	Farmer and Stock Raiser	Germany	1868
Byers, Jacob	"	31	Wife of J. Byers	Germany	1868
Byers, Fannie	"	30	Farmer and Stock Raiser	Norfolk, Eng.	1837
"	"	30	Wife of R. Bacon	Clark Co. Ind	1836
Bacon, Robert	"	30	Farmer	Macoupin Co. Ill	1858
Mary A. Miller	Carlinville	32	Farmer and Stock Raiser	Norfolk, Eng.	1837
Bacon, Thomas W.	"	32	Wife of Thos. Bacon	Taylor Co. Ky	1875
Bacon, Thomas	Dec'd Sep. 23, 1877	Late wife of Thos. Bacon		Indiana	1835
Mrs. M. A. Horton	Girard	Sec. 9	Farmer and Stock Raiser	Ky.	1830
Mary Hoover	"	9	Wife of T. S. Barrow	Morgan Co. Ill	1842
Barrow, T. S.	Carlinville	20	Farmer and Stock Raiser	Ireland	1852
Rebecca Edwards	"	20	Wife of M. Cooney	Pa.	1850
Cooney, Michael	Nilwood	6	Farmer and Stock Raiser	Overton Co. Ten	1832
Mary O'Neil	"	6	Wife of G. D. Crawford	Madison Co. Ill	1844
Crawford, G. D.	Palmyra	6	Farmer and Stock Raiser	Macoupin Co. Ill	1847
Nancy M. Bridges	"	6	Wife of J. Crawford	"	1856
Crawford, Jonathan	Nilwood	12	Farmer and Stock Raiser	Hartford Co Con	1869
Adora L. Clages	Dec'd Dec. 6, 1878	Late wife of C. Dix		Morgan Co. Ill.	1853
Dix, Charles	Girard	Sec. 11	Farmer and Stock Raiser	Alabama.	1830
Hellena Davidson	"	11	Wife of D. Davidson	Sangamon Co. Ill	1833
Davidson, David	Nilwood	11	Farmer	Baden, Ger.	1868
Caroline F. Groves	"	11	Wife of J. Dufner	Tipperary Co. Ire	1870
Dufner, John	Palmyra	6	Farmer and Stock Raiser	Macoupin Co. Ill	1855
Maggie E. Flinn	"	6	Wife of J. E. Hart	"	1859
Hart, John E.	"	9	Farmer and Stock Raiser	"	1840
Sarah M. Cherry	Nilwood	9	Wife of M. V. Howard	"	1847
Howard, Martin V.	"	9	Farmer and Blacksmith	"	1844
Martha A. Crump	Girard	9	Wife of H. Howard	St. Clair Co. Ky	1843
Howard, Henry	"	23	Farmer and Stone Mason	Morgan Co. Ill.	1840
Eleanor Crump	Nilwood	23	Wife of J. S. Hart	Sangamon Co. Ill	1833
Hart, John S.	"	31	Farmer and Stock Raiser	Clark Co. Ind.	1855
Emily Crays	Buford	31	Wife of R. Z. Johnson	Sullivan Co. Ind	1856
Johnson, R. Z.	"	8	Farmer and Stock Raiser	Nelson Co. Ky.	1854
Rebecca J. Wilson	Girard	8	Wife of W. H. Jenkins	Macoupin Co. Ill	1859
Jenkins, Wm. H	"	17	Farmer	"	1837
Charity E. Hayes	Nilwood	17	Wife of J. M. Lair	"	1841
Lair, Jerry M.	"	6	Farmer and Stock Raiser	Rush Co. Ind	1850
Lair, Elizabeth J.	Palmyra	6	Wife of T. Mahan	Macoupin Co. Ill	1843
Mahan, Thomas	"	32	Farmer and Stock Raiser	Madison Co. Ill	1855
Sarah Ditson	Carlinville	32	Wife of J. M. Pruitt	Macoupin Co. Ill	1856
Pruitt, James M.	Dec'd Dec. 24, 1859	For. hus. of S. M. Palmer		Rutherf'd Co. Tenn	1830
Laura J. Sinclair	Nilwood	Sec. 16	Widow of W. R. Palmer	Orange Co. Ind	1831
Palmer, William R.	"	14	Farmer and Stock Raiser	Sumner Co. Ten	1830
Sarah M. Palmer	"	14	Wife of M. H. Ross	Shelby Co. Ky.	1836
Ross, M. H.	"	21	Farmer and Stock Raiser	Jefferson Co. Ind	1840
Nancy A. McMullen	"	21	Wife of S. Snell	Morgan Co. Ill	1851
Snell, Samuel					
Snell, Mary A.					

NORTH PALMYRA—TOWNSHIP 12 NORTH. RANGE 8 WEST.

Alford, M. T.	Palmyra	Sec. 30	Farmer and Stock Raiser	Sevier Co. Tenn.	1850
Susan M. Searcy	"	30,	Wife of M. T. Alford	Spencer Co. Ky.	1850
Allyn. R. T.	"	16	Farmer and Stock Raiser	Macoup. Co. Ill.	1850
E. E. Henderson	"	16,	Wife of R. T. Allyn	Morgan Co. Ill.	1869

417*	CLAYTON, George W.--Sarah Woods	1 Oct 1838	Elijah Kirkman	MG
1489	CLAYTON, James H.--Matilda Jenkins	24 Mar 1836	1g--No return	
772	CLAYTON, Madison--Margaret Ausmus	23 Aug 1832	1g--No return	
471*	CLEGG, Joseph--Sarah Lawrance	10 Jan 1839	D. Short Deacon	MECh
1221	CLEMONS, Joseph H.S.--Diana McKean	1 Jan 1835	Benjn. Cauby	PG
589	CLINE, Adam--Milly Hobson	28 Jul 1831	Thomas Henson	Pr
89*	CLINE, Joseph--Elizabeth Jane Butler	8 Jun 1837	Elam Brown	JP
1168	CLODFELTER, Daniel--Mary Ann Stewart	28 Sep 1834	Absalom Peak	JP
84*	CLODFELTER, Michael--Jane Parks	28 May 1837	James Ethel	JP
1552	CLODFELTER, William--Sarah Ebaugh	31 Jul 1836	Ebenezer Abbey	JP
1465	COBB, Edmund--Hetty Bradbury	28 Feb 1836	O.P. Cobb	JP
897	COBB, Leander E.--Mary Crum	20 Mar 1833	James Crum	PG
837	COBB, Orrin--Martha Ann Eikelberg	19 Dec 1832	P.A. McKinney	JP
981	COBB, Orson P.--Sarah Wood	27 Oct 1833	Lucian Farnham	PG
559*	COBBS, Samuel--Sarah Dawson	4 Jul 1839	David P.Henderson	ECCh
782	COCHRAN, Samuel--Susan G. Cox	23 Sep 1832	Lorenzo Edwards	Pr
1452	COCHRAN, William B.--Catharine A. Withers	18 Feb. 1836	B.W. Stone Bishop Church of Christ	
1090	COEN, Edward--Mary Ann Stout	21 Apr 1834	Geo. Rearick	JP
1201	COFFEY, Cabinis--Pelina Orr	6 Dec 1834	H.Holliday	JP
894	COFFIN, Charles--Sally Jane Webster	7 Mar 1833	Cornelius Pointer	PG
1141	COGNEY, William--Lucy Harmon	10 Aug 1834	Joshua P. Crow	JP
586	COLE, David--Polly Crabtree	28 Jul 1831	Davis Bunch	JP
302	COLE, Elijah--Martha McClure	21 May 1829	Peter Cartright	Pr
1419	COLE, Loderick--Lavina White	24 Dec 1835	Joshua W. Crow	JP
1275	COLE, Stephen--Sebina Bowles	25 Mar 1835	Reddick Horn	PG
456	COLEMAN, Paschal--Sarah Street	8 Aug 1830	Reddick Horn	Pr
819	COLES, Joseph--Nancy Davis	22 Nov 1832	John Brich	M.Gospel
332*	COLLIER, B. H.--Elizabeth Mines	15 Apr 1838	James Ethel	JP
	COLTON, Samuel See COTTON			
1595	COMPTON, Nathan--Sarah E. Clendening	6 Oct 1836	Ben Cauby	GM
1054	CONKEY, Ambrose--Caroline Bonney	20 Feb 1834	John Taylor	JP
951	CONLEE, Vincent--Matilda Blaney	15 Aug 1833	William Rogers	PG
709	CONLEE, Whitfield--Levina Antle	18 Mar 1832	John Antle	--
1377	CONNEWAY, John--Mary Dinsmore	28 Oct 1835	Wm. A.Langston	PG
588*	CONOVER, John B.--Sarah G.Tilford	26 Sep 1839	Horace Spalding	LEMEP
1565	COOK, James--Ann Trueman	25 Aug 1836	Benjamin Cauly	--
825	COOK, Samuel--Nancy Hendrix	29 Nov 1832	1g--No return	
549	COOKSEY, Joseph--Susan Green	17 Apr 1831	Thomas Bristow	JP
216*	COOLEY, Joseph--Martha Ann Roter	1 Dec 1837	Joseph Redmond	M.Gospel
459	COOLEY, Thomas--Rody Mitchell	13 Aug 1830	1g--No return	
758	COOLING, Thomas--Elizabeth Riston	12 Aug 1832	William Crow	P
1425	COONROD, Jonas--Sybil Edsen	30 Dec 1835	Absolom Peak	JP
590*	COOPER, Armstrong--Mary Silcox	10 Oct 1839	William W. Mitchell	MG
589*	COOPER, John A.--Julia Ann Miller	8 Oct 1839	D.Pat Henderson	ECC
1437	COOPER, John D.--Margaret Willard	28 Jan 1836	Joseph H. Bates	JP
731	COOPER, Joseph D.--Eunice Hunt	7 May 1832	J.M.Sturtevant	Pr
1373	CORBY, Daniel--Martha Jump	22 Sep 1835	John Biddlecome	PG
	CORY, Lyman See CARY			
14*	COSTNER, Joseph--Nancy H. Cownover	9 Feb 1837	James Garner	MG
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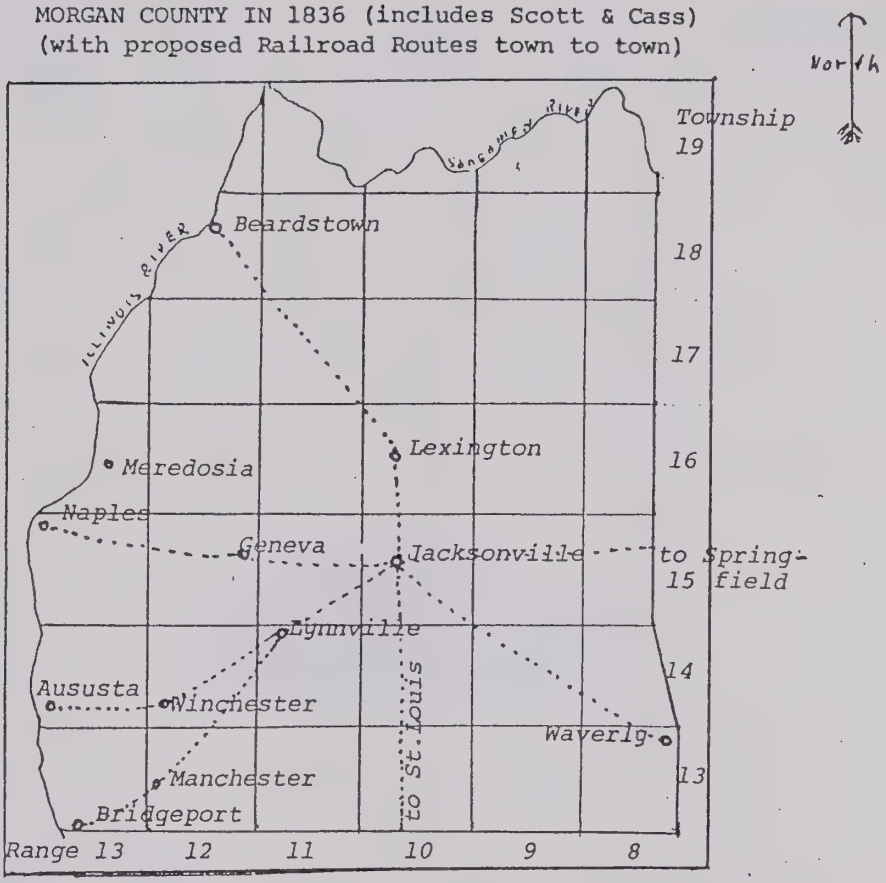

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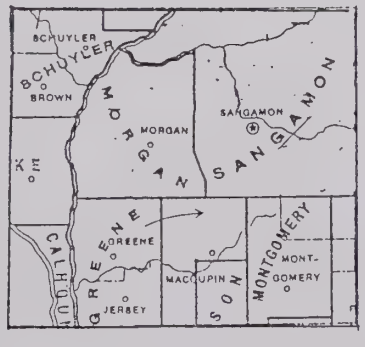

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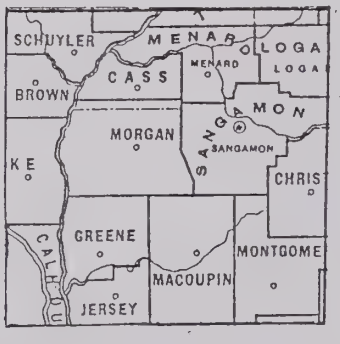

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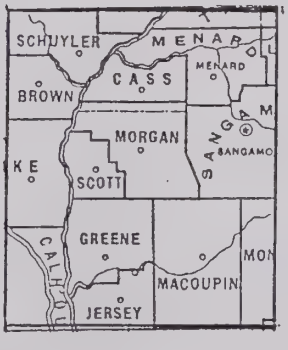

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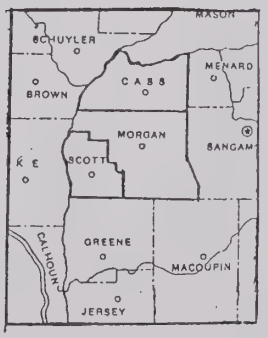

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Hottest Day.— July 15, 1869, the thermometer registered 135 degrees, marking this as the hottest day in Morgan County of which any record has been preserved.

CHAPTER V.

EARLY SETTLERS.

FIRST SETTLER IN MORGAN COUNTY ARRIVES IN 1816—OTHER EARLY COMERS—ADVANCE IN IMMIGRATION BEGINS IN 1819—ARRIVALS PREVIOUS TO 1830—NOTABLE ARRAY OF HISTORIC NAMES—THE KELLOGGS, DEATONS, WYATTS, DR. CADWELL, JOSEPH MORTON, NEWTON CLOUD, THE MATTHEWS, ROCKWELL, PITNER, MASSEY, DAVENPORT, STEVENSON AND HOLMES FAMILIES—GOV. JOSEPH DUNCAN, WILLIAM THOMAS, JUDGE S. D. LOCKWOOD, REV. JULIAN M. STURTEVANT, JACOB STRAWN AND OTHERS WHO HAVE LEFT THEIR IMPRESS ON THE COUNTY'S HISTORY—OLD SETTLERS' ASSOCIATION.

The present existing sources of information respecting the early settlers of Morgan County and the date of their settlement are so meager, and in some cases so conflicting, that it is now impossible to procure the names of all and to accurately fix the date of their settlement. It is deeply regretted that a complete roster of that grand pioneer army is not now available.

From the year 1819 the immigrants to Morgan County rapidly increased. Some of those who settled in the county prior to 1830 became prominent citizens and distinguished in many ways for their abilities and public services. They seemed to have been providentially designed for the founding of a community of high ideals and illustrious achievements. Appropriate individual reference has been made to some of those elsewhere in this history.

The following comprises a partial list of those who settled in the county prior to 1830. In some instances it may not be wholly accurate as to dates, owing to the lack of reliable sources of information or to errors in available published records. A number of persons named in the following lists will be recognized as being subsequently citizens of Cass and Scott Counties, which were included in Morgan County at the time of its creation, January 31, 1823, and during the period covered by this record (1819-29). Cass County was cut off from Morgan March 3, 1838, and Scott County, February 16, 1839. Many other well known persons came to Morgan County prior to 1830, but the exact date of their coming could not be ascertained, and their names were consequently omitted in these lists. During the decade beginning with 1830 the number of immigrants to the county rapidly increased, and included many persons who also became prominent in the affairs of the county, State and nation.

The following historical statement may appropriately precede the classified yearly lists, although the names also appear in their respective years of settlement:

The earliest white settler of whom we have any account within the territory subsequently embraced in Morgan County at the time of its creation in 1823, was Mr. Eli Cox. He settled in the eastern part of what is now Cass County, in the year 1816, stopping at a grove at the head of a creek, which have since been known as Cox's Grove and Cox's Creek. At that early date there was not a white man in all this part of the State. The United States Government had not even stretched a surveyor's chain over the land; neither section nor township had been laid off. Mr. Cox staked out a claim, and after remaining on it for a time left it, but returned in 1819, built a cabin, commenced permanent improvements and lived there till his death, which occurred in 1880 or 1881. He was an industrious and strictly upright man. This account of Mr. Cox was written by Rev. William Clark, of Cass County, for Eames' "Historic Morgan," published in 1885, the author having known Mr. Cox well since 1836.

The same work ("Historic Morgan") states on page 222, that Mr. Ebenezer T. Miller died September 23, 1883, aged eighty-four years, having resided in the county sixty-five years. If that account is correct, Mr. Miller must have come to Morgan County in 1818.

In the year 1818, Seymour Kellogg, who had been a soldier in the War of 1812, came from New York State to Illinois. In the fall of 1819

his brother Elisha arrived. The brothers located near the head of the Mauvaisterre Creek. From the best sources of information obtainable, they became the first white settlers of what is now Morgan County. In January, 1820, three explorers from New York State, David Berdan, George Nixon and Isaac Fort Roe, arrived. David Berdan was the father of the late Judge James Berdan. Mr. Roe settled at Diamond Grove, and gave it that name. He also built the first hewed log cabin in the county. Mr. Roe and Mr. Jedediah Webster built a small handmill at Diamond Grove. Mr. Roe died October 12, 1821, aged forty-eight years. His was the first death of the white settlers in the county. In the month of September, 1869, in the presence of a large number of persons, and with suitable and impressive ceremonies, a large and beautiful monument, erected by the county in his honor in Diamond Grove Cemetery, was dedicated.

The following presents the list of arrivals in subsequent years:

1819.—Seymour Kellogg, Colonel in the War of 1812, Elisha Kellogg and his son, Florentine E. Kellogg, James Deaton, Sr., Murray McConnel, John R. Harney and Mrs. Edward Harney.

1820.—Ambrose Collins, David Berdan, George Nixon, Isaac Fort Roe, John Wyatt, William Wyatt, Jedediah Webster (soldier in the War of 1812), Isaac Reeve, Sr. (with wife and nine children), John B. Crain, whose wife was said to be the only white woman in the settlement during the first summer, being, it is also claimed, the mother of the first white child born in the county; James B. Crum, Isaac Dial, Martin Dial, Thomas Smith, Thomas Arnett (the first Justice of the Peace), Robert James, Jesse Ruble, Ancil Cox, Joseph Buchanan, Samuel Scott, Isaac Edwards, Archibald Job, Stephen Olmstead, Michael Arthur (probably the same as Michael Antyl mentioned below), Charles Robinson, James Buckley, Aaron Wilson, Isaac Smith, Judge John Bradshaw, Joseph Morton, Michael Antyl; Dr. George Cadwell (the first physician), James G. Swinnerton, Stephen Pierce, C. R. Wilson, Thomas Deaton, Joseph B. Deaton, Hardin Buchanan, Mrs. A. T. Chamberlain, Levi Deaton, William Deaton, Mrs. Eleanor James (wife of Robert James), Mrs. Mary Morton (wife of Joseph Morton), Huram Reeve, Isaac B. Reeve, John Reeve, Charles R. Wilson, Alexander Wells, Mrs. Samantha Wiswall (wife of Thomas Wiswall), Jacob Bowyer, Mrs. Linda Manchester, George Coonrod, Joseph Coddington (father of first white male child born in the county—born in a tent in Diamond Grove), Mrs. Emma Rearick (wife of Capt. George D. Rearick), Billy Robinson, Abram Johnson, George Hackett, Stephen Corban, Mr. Hibbard, James Gillham, Martin Lindley, Timothy Harris, John Catrough, Thomas Beard, Abraham Williams Keller (killed by Regulars), John Cotrill, Henry Percifield, Jerry Percifield, John Carpenter, Moses Carlock, Benjamin Spartzen.

1821.—Col. W. D. Wyatt, Mrs. Minnie Conover, Lott Luttrell, Johnston Shelton, Francis Petree, Dr. Ero Chandler, Abel Richardson and his sons Daniel and Benjamin B., Patterson Hall, Samuel Magill, W. Miller, Stephen Jones, Joseph Slattern, Billy Robinson, Isaac Edwards, a Mr. Scott, John Anderson, James Taylor, Mr. Murray, Solomon Berey, Judge I. R. Bennett, Roland Shepherd, Richard Matthews, Sr. (father of Samuel, Cyrus and Richard), Clark Birdsall, Joseph P. Deaton, Joseph Hayes, Col. Samuel T. Matthews, Cyrus Matthews, Richard Matthews, Mrs. A. A. Morrison, Charles Robertson, Mrs. Harriet Rudisill, William Taylor, James Henry, James Green, Amanda M. Harney, Palmer Holmes, Elizabeth Moss, John Wyatt, Alford Mills, James Mills, Baxter Broadwell, Sr., Lewis G. Newell.

1822.—Rev. John Glanville, William C. Verry, Thomas Wiswall, W. S. McPherson, George Curts, Rev. William D. Drinkwater, Jacob Boyer, S. S. Duncan, William S. Jordan, J. N. Redding, Abraham Reid, William L. Reed, G. W. Wimmer, Col. James H. Weatherford, Josiah Williams, John Leach, Sr., Mrs. Elizabeth Davis, Zachariah Hash, Matilda Wilhoit, William James, J. D. Jaywood, Stephen Green, Alexander Wells, Thomas J. Wells, Adam Allison, Sr.

1823.—William H. Broadwell, John Robertson, Rev. Levi Springer and wife, Charles Sample, Clayborn Coker, Michael Huffaker, Enoch March, Dennis Rockwell, Keeling Berry, W. T. Brewer, John Gorham, John A. Hughes, Joseph Hilliard, David Sample, Joshua Sprague, Charles Sample, John Wilson, Sampson Fanning, Thomas Whitlock, Richard Hatcher, M. R. Foster, Mary Smith, G. L. Gillham, Eliza Clark, John T. Robertson, Richard Matthews, Sr., Richard Matthews, Jr., Rev. James Sims, Mrs. James Dinwiddie, E. L. Gillham, Judge John Leeper, Mrs. Mary Foster.

1824.—Mrs. Minerva J. Rector, S. B. Smith, John Smith, S. J. Mattingly, J. M. Wilson, H. R. Green, Rev. John Birch (first Presbyterian minister), Thomas M. Carson (kept first hotel in Jacksonville), John A. J. Carson, J. A. Davis, Thomas Gatton (father of Zachariah W. Gatton), A. Ingals, James Langley, Alexander Pitner, John Redding, Mrs. M. A. Robertson, Franklin Keplinger, Mrs. C. C. Rucker, John Smith, John M. Wilson, Andrew Samples, Samuel B. Smith, J. A. Davis, John Yaple, John Gorham, Amanda Reeve, John F. Jordan, Mrs. A. C. Woods, Scott Riggs, Amos Reeder, Jonathan Young, A. K. Barber, Edward Harvey.

1825.—Allen Caruthers, J. M. Cox (born in North Carolina in 1825), Milton Davenport, Achilles Deatherage, David Greaton, Stephen Henderson, Mrs. Susan Henderson (wife of S. H.), Nancy House, Henry Hopkins, Mrs. Elizabeth Hopkins (Beggs), Miles Holliday, Milton W. Riggs, James B. Parrott, Zachariah Waters, Joseph Fanning, Thompson Bowyer, Col. William J. Wyatt, Francis Ryan, Mrs. P. W. Vail, Jacob Stout, Mrs. Mary Hinrichsen, G. W. Smith, William Clark, Charles Rockwell, Joseph Cooley, Silas Henderson, Mrs. Nancy Strawn, David Manchester, Robert Fanning, Mrs. Sarah Letton, Allen Q. Lindsey, Mrs. Maria Cunningham (daughter of A. Q. Lindsey).

1826.—Hon. William Thomas, Hon. Samuel Woods, David G. Henderson, Mrs. Mildred Black, Rev. Isaac Conlee (Baptist preacher—came to Illinois in 1815), Vis V. Conover (born in Illinois), J. J. Goodpasture, Mrs. Mary Henderson (wife of D. G. Henderson), William Goodpasture, William Holmes, Peyton Harding, E. B. Leonard, Horatio H. Massey, Stephen S. Massey, Silas Massey, Montgomery Pitner, Mrs. Jane W. Pitner (wife of M. Pitner), Richard Ruble, Joseph Rogers, Jacob Rohrer, Andrew J. Stice, Peyton Cunningham, William D. Cunningham, John Van Winkle, Solomon Hart, Abraham Goodpasture, John M. Thompson, Mrs. Elizabeth Hopkins, John S. Clark (Mr. Clark freighted salt to Beardstown, on the "Mechanic"—the first boat that came up the Illinois River, the salt being shipped from Washington County, Ohio), William Clark, George Angel, John Angel, John A. Hughes, Allan B. Hughes, Smiley H. Henderson, Stephen H. Reid, Sr., Stephen H. Reid, Jr., John B. A. Reid, Benjamin Haskell, Abraham Six, Alexander Young, William Deatherage, John A. J. Carson.

1827.—John Knight, Mrs. Catherine F. Barton, Rev. Newton Cloud, Mrs. J. M. Barton, B. F. Couchman, Mrs. Eliza A. Chappel, E. R. Couchman, Mrs. Maria S. Craig, Allen Conlee (born in Illinois in 1825), Verlan Daniels, Mrs. Mary W. Daniels, Mrs. Elizabeth C. Duncan (wife of Gov. Duncan), Isaac Hudson, Alexander Huffman, Mrs. Mildred Huffman (wife of A. Huffman), Peter S. Hudson, Jackson Henderson, Mrs. Jane Jones, Mrs. Eliza Jordan, Ebenezer T. Miller, J. B. Moss, Mrs. Mary O. McAllister, Aaron Peters, David Peters, Miss Sarah Peters, L. B. Ross, William Rockwell, Austin Sims, Matthew Stacy, Mrs. Sophia Shaffer, Thomas P. Stacy, Wesley Sims, B. F. W. Stribling, Thomas Saunderson, J. Bradley Thompson, Adam Vancil, George Tureman, W. D. Turner, N. B. Thompson, John Van Winkle, Samuel Williams, John Brown, Alexander Walker, James Conover, Benjamin F. Moss, John B. Moss, Mrs. Mahala Brady, Mrs. Samuel Samuel H. Petefish, Abram C. Woods, John Carter, William Moss, William C. Posey, J. C. Caldwell, James Wood, Ezekiel McCurley, Michael Arnold, Thomas Clark, Rev. William Clark (son of Thomas), Joshua P. Crow, William M. Clark.

1828.—Hon. Samuel Drake Lockwood, John P. Wilkinson (erected first brick building in Jacksonville), Anderson Foreman, Jonathan Atherton, Samuel Black, Sr., Bedford Brown, George S. Brown, John Brown, J. F. Bergen, Mary Cook, Mrs. Sarah S. Cole, Buker Daniels, M. C. Edmonson, Mrs. Elizabeth W. Foreman (wife of Anderson Foreman), William D. Humphrey, Jonas Ira Houston, John A. Hamilton, David Hart, Dianah Johnson, John Henry, George W. Long, James Mansfield, Mrs. N. M. Petefish, Joseph Roach, Robert A. Jones, Joseph Reynolds, James B. Stacy, Elliott Stevenson, Fleming Stevenson, Mrs. E. J. Stevenson, David M. Simmons, Joseph Turnham, John B. Turnham, A. J. Turner, Charles B. Wilson, E. M. Wyatt, Sterling Woods, Joseph McCurley, Ezekiel McCurley, Henry Sharp, Nicholas Sheplar, Clark Birdsell, Philip P. Boulware, Reuben Jones, Bedford Brown, Daniel Busey, George N. Boulware, John Whitlock, Mr. Killam, Arthur Loughary, J. E. Roach, Mrs. M. A. F. Carpenter, Mrs. H. McClure, Charles Cox, S. B. Jones, Dr. J. M. Wilson, Mrs. John E. Haskell, Minerva Smith, Mary Humphrey, J. R. Clark, Mahala Turley, James Edmonson, John Wright, Jacob Strawn, John Hill, William Rannells, Samuel S. Rannells, George M. Holloway, William Moss.

1829.—John R. Harney, Richard Harney, Isaac R. Bennett, William Harvey Beggs, Charles Cox, Margaretta Craig, Corrinden Cox, Matilda Deaton, Braxton Davenport, Arden Evans, Jacob Epler, William S. Hurst, B. N. Humphrey, Richard Hembrough, W. P. Harris, Mrs. Barbary Johnson, Alex. Johnson, Spencer Taylor, Samuel Keplinger, John Lazenby, Sarah Lazenby, Henderson Massie, John W. Montgomery, Emanuel Metcalf, Capt. William Patterson, William Ratekan, A. P. Rigg, Benjamin F. Stevenson, Edward Scott, William Stevenson, Martha A. Stacy, James Stevenson, Watson Sinclair, Thomas Scott, Dr. Julian M. Sturtevant, Isaac Sheets, Jonathan Sharpe, James G. Strawn, G. W. Sheffield, J. W. Storey, Jackson Seymour, R. Davis Thompson, Hiram Van Winkle, James L. Wyatt, William Wright, Clayburn Dalton, Samuel McCurley, John Seymour, Thomas Wright, James Fanning, Sr., John Terry Neal, Isaac R. Wade, James Langley, Harvey Smith, Edward Craig, D. C. Green, John Gordon, Samuel Bateman, John G. Bobbitt, Samuel Killam, John Lazenby, Sr., S. S. Massey, Reuben Johnson, George W. Cooper, John Leach, Jr., W. T. Treadway, Levi Dick, James A. Dick, John Killham, Samuel Killham, John D. Cooper, Mrs. Mary A. Dick, Aaron Phillips, Eliza W. Foreman, Mrs. Sarah J. Turley, William H. Markillie, Elizabeth Smith, Elizabeth Freeman. Jeremiah Cox, Mrs. Rachel King, Stephen Shepherd, J. M. Filson, Mrs. Sarah Fay, W. C. Johnson, William C. Stevenson, Ira Davenport and family, Thornton Shepperd, William H. R. Harney, L. D. Graham, John Moss, William Stevenson, Septimus C. Stevenson, Jeremiah Brown, John M. Brown, Zachariah Rexroat, Milton Mayfield, Cornelius Dewees, George W. Clark, Benjamin Green, Thomas Quarton, William Perkins, James W. Six, Daniel Evans, Hezekiah Evans, John Walker, Mrs. Sarah P. Hurst, Mrs. Mary Killam, Mrs. Priscilla J. Hurst, James G. Edwards, John Lazenby, Sarah Lazenby.

Unknown Year of Settlement.—The following is a partial list of persons who came to Morgan County, some of them at a very early date, and all of them before the year 1830, although the exact time of their coming can not be determined on account of lack of satisfactory information now available. Because of the prominent part many of them took in the early affairs of the county, it is deserving that their names should be recorded among that worthy company of pioneer compatriots:

Rev. Thomas J. Starr was first stationed Methodist preacher in Illinois (now Centenary Church) Jacksonville, in 1833; Mrs. Rachel Bedwell, born in 1799, was here before Jacksonville was laid out and her husband hauled the logs for the first county jail; Thomas Wright, A. W. Stice, Arch P. Riggs, Richard Seymour, Lee T. Morris, James Morrison, M. D., Mrs. H. C. Oliver, Mrs. Mark Buckley, Mrs. Andrew Gale, "Jacky" Smith, Joseph Klein (served as an election judge in 1823 and 1828); John Clark, Daniel Leib, Dennis Rockwell, Joseph M. Fairfield (of the firm of Fairfield & Hackett, first merchants in Jacksonville); Peter Conover (first president of Morgan County Bible Society); Wiley B. Green, Rev. Samuel Bristow (first Baptist preacher in Morgan County); Henry Fanestock, Milton Ladd, Mayfield family, Joseph T. Leonard, Mr. Rucker, David Ditson (whose death was the first in Jacksonville), John Smith and Deborah Thornton (whose marriage was the first in Jacksonville), Rev. Joseph I. Basey (first Methodist preacher in Morgan County), Jonathan Piper, Rev. John Birch (first Presbyterian preacher in Morgan County), Stephen Pierce, Aquila Hall, David C. Blair. It is deeply regretted that a complete list of those who settled in Morgan County prior to 1830 is not accessible.

Old Settlers' Association.—An informal meeting of early settlers was held in Jacksonville on the last Saturday of May, 1867, for social reunion, organization and to take steps for the collection of statistics, historical details and local incidents as data from which correct annals of the county might be compiled for preservation and transmission to posterity.

The next step in the organization of the "Old Settlers' Association" was taken at a Fourth of July celebration at Arcadia in 1869, when a large number of the early settlers were present, and the desire was expressed by many aged persons to meet their friends of early days, and it was decided that a call should be issued in the newspapers and all such should be invited to be present at a picnic. The call was duly announced for the meeting to be held at Arcadia, Thursday, September 9, 1869, in David G. Henderson's grove. That was the first regular meeting of the old settlers of Morgan, Cass and Scott Counties. The exercises were opened with prayer by Rev. Joel Goodrick, and addresses appropriate to the occasion were made by Hon. Joseph Morton, Captain Jacob Yaple,

Judge H. G. Whitlock, Bradley Thompson, Marshall P. Ayers and other persons. Mr. Charles Cox was the First Marshal, and Mr. John M. Wilson assistant. Dr. John Craig was Secretary. A hymn composed by Major George M. McConnel was sung. It was intended that an organization should be formed at that meeting, but the time was so fully occupied with other matters that it was impracticable. A meeting was called to be held at the same place August 25, 1870, and at that meeting Judge William Thomas presented a constitution which was adopted. Addresses were made by Hon. Newton Cloud, Rev. N. P. Heath, Major George M. McConnel, Ex-Governor and Senator Richard Yates and others. An organization was then perfected. By the provisions of the constitution all persons could become members of the Association who were in this region previous to the deep snow of 1830-31.

Large and highly interesting meetings of the Association were held continuously for a quarter of a century, but by reason of the death of nearly all of the early settlers of these counties, and the great number of large social and public gatherings of recent years, the meetings of the Old Settlers' Association were discontinued.

CHAPTER VI.

GOVERNMENTAL.

MORGAN COUNTY IN POLITICAL HISTORY—DELEGATES TO CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTIONS—UNITED STATES SENATORS AND REPRESENTATIVES IN CONGRESS—STATE OFFICERS—GOVERNORS, SECRETARIES OF STATE, ATTORNEYS GENERAL AND STATE SUPERINTENDENT OF EDUCATION—STATE BOARDS—JUDGES SUPREME COURT—COUNTY JUDICIARY AND OTHER COUNTY OFFICERS—COUNTY COMMISSIONERS—CIRCUIT COURTS—FEDERAL OFFICERS.

Morgan County has had much prominence and influence in the political history of the State, as is seen in the list and character of the incumbents of official stations, the important positions that a number filled and the valuable and distinguished services which they have rendered the county, the State and the Nation.

Delegates to Constitutional Conventions.—In the Convention that framed the Second Constitution of the State in 1847, William Thomas, Newton Cloud, Samuel D. Lockwood and James Dunlap were delegates, and Newton Cloud was President of the Convention. In the Convention of 1869-70, which formed the present Constitution, Henry J. Atkins served as delegate from Morgan County. Joseph Morton was delegate to the Convention of 1862, which framed a constitution that was rejected by vote of the people.

Governors.—Joseph Duncan was Governor of the State during the years 1834-38, at that time being a resident of Jacksonville. Richard Yates, Sr., of Jacksonville, was the justly renowned War Governor during the term of 1861-65; Richard Yates, Jr., of Jacksonville, son of the preceding and late incumbent of the gubernatorial office, which he filled with ability and fidelity, was inaugurated in January, 1901.

Secretaries of State.— Samuel Drake Lockwood, who was appointed Secretary of State by Governor Coles, December 18, 1822, resigned April 2, 1823, having been appointed Receiver of Public Moneys at Edwardsville. Stephen A. Douglas, appointed Secretary November 30, 1840, resigned February 27, 1841, to accept a place on the Supreme Bench. William H. Hinrichsen, elected by popular vote in November, 1892, was commissioned January 9, 1893, and served four years.

Attorneys General.—Samuel D. Lockwood qualified February 26, 1821, but resigned December 26, 1822, to become Secretary of State. Josiah Lamborn qualified December 23, 1840, and served until January 12, 1843, when he was succeeded by James A. McDougall, who qualified on that date, holding office until December 21, 1846.

(At the time when Judge Lockwood was elected Attorney-General in 1821, and also when he was appointed Secretary of State by Governor Coles in 1822, he was a resident of Madison County. The Legislature of 1824-25 elected him Judge of the Supreme Court, which office he filled until the adoption of the Constitution of 1848. He was a member from Morgan County of the Convention which framed that Constitution. His residence was Jacksonville from 1828 to 1853. He died at Batavia, Illinois, April 23, 1874, in the eighty-fifth year of his

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There were no marriages listed for the following #'s:

Book A	671 through 675
	827 and 828
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Since several of the pages from the original books had slipped, there could be some discrepancies in the dates, but I feel pretty certain, that with the Book #, License # and the name of the groom you could get the original license.

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Page 1: COUNTY DIVISIONS, BY STATE LAW, OF WEST CENTRAL ILLINOIS, 1823-1845
By Florence Hutchison, President, J.A.G.& H.Society.

There are several county boundary changes, particularly for Morgan, Cass and Scott, that should be noted by family historians when researching vital records such as marriages, births, deaths and land transactions so that they will know in which county to search for desired evidences of ancestral happenings. Maps shown the other side of this page will illustrate these changes.

The point of this article is to say "Morgan County, as we know it today, was never a part of Sangamon County EXCEPT for a small portion of land north of Indian Creek to Cavanaugh Bluff in Section 16, Township 16 North, Range 9 West of the 3rd Principal Meridian, which was the western border of early Sangamon County as established in 1821. The Law of 30 January 1821 describes the division between Morgan and Sangamon. For reference see *Counties of Illinois, Their Origin and Evolution.* For a free copy write to Secretary of State, Springfield IL 62756.

From 1821 to January 28, 1823, all Cass County land and a small portion of Morgan land above Indian Creek, would have deed, marriages, etc. in Sangamon County. Those for Scott and the larger portion of Morgan would be in Greene County.

From January 28, 1823 to March 3, 1837 deeds are in Morgan County. An unfortunate happening occurred December 6, 1827--the first frame courthouse built on the northwest corner of Jacksonville's public square burned to the ground--so all records, including the first 180 marriage licenses, were lost to posterity. The deed book being in the home of the Recorder that night kept it safe from destruction. This did not affect present birth and death records, because the Public Health Department did not start keeping them in the State of Illinois until 1878. It was at this time, too, that State Law required marriage applications and licenses placed on file to include names of parents and other data concerning the brides and grooms, which is such a boon to present-day genealogists.

Cass County from 30 January 1821 until "Old Morgan" was formed in 1823 Would have all its land, marriges and probate records found in Sangamon County. From 28 January 1823 until 3 March 1837 they would be in Morgan County. EXCEPT for a 3-MILE STRIP on the north side of Morgan. It was not ceded to Cass until 16 February 1845.

Scott County was a part of Morgan until it was separated 16 February 1839, so all land records, marriages, and Circuit Court records and estate administrations are to be found in that county after that date.

Jersey County, from Greene, was established 28 February 1839. Macoupin county, from Greene and Madison was established 17 January 1839. Pike county took in all of Illinois north of the Illinois River (including Chicago), until Fulton was formed 28 January 1823. Calhoun county was a part of Pike from 1821 to its establishment 10 January 1825.

Did you know that Christian, divided between Montgomery, Sangamon and Shelby counties was established as Dane county 15 February 1839? Its name was changed to Christian county 1 February 1840 by State Law.

Now you know at least that much historical data upon which to base your ancestral researches. Happy hunting, and good luck.

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A History of the County; Its Cities, Towns, Etc.; A Biographical Directory of its Citizens; War Record of its Volunteers in the Late Rebellion: Portraits of its Early Settlers and Prominent Men; General and Local Statistics; History of the Northwest; History of Illinois; Constitution of the United States; Map of Morgan County; Miscellaneous Matters, Etc., Etc.

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advocated a system of popular education, and ably seconded every effort made by the friends of education. In fact nearly every plan which has had for its aim the advancement of the masses, has been vigorously aided by the venerable Judge, and but few bills in the early days of legislation but emanated from his mind, or bear the marks of his hand, where the object was the advancement of civilization.

Judge Thomas, to whom reference is so often made in these pages, and who is so intimately connected with the history, is a native of Warren—now Allen—County, Kentucky. He was born November 22, 1802. He began the study of his profession in the law-office of Governor James T. Morehead, continuing at Bowling Green with Hon. J. R. Underwood. July 5, 1823, when twenty-one years of age, he obtained his license to practice law, remaining with Mr. Underwood until September, 1826. That fall, with a horse, a little money, and an abundance of energy, he started for the Sangamon country. He describes his trip, his arrival at Jacksonville, and what he saw there, elsewhere in these pages, and repetition here is unnecessary. From the date of his arrival, he has been always prominently before the people of the county, and has been one of the foremost citizens in every good work. To him may be attributed the founding of many of the State institutions, the establishment of the common schools, the act of incorporation of colleges in 183[illegible]—the first act of the kind in the State—the public city institutions, and, in fact, every beneficent object. Everything tending to the welfare of town, county, and State, bears the impress of Judge Thomas' hand.

He has been a faithful chronicler of events during his life here, and to him, more than to any citizen of Morgan County, are the publishers of this volume, and its readers, under lasting obligations for the accuracy and detail of its statements. He has freely given every aid in his power, every fact in his possession, and deserves from his fellow-citizens a lasting place in their memories.

Morgan County contained at first all that country now comprised in Scott and Cass Counties. By reference to the Political History preceding this narrative, the reader will learn the causes leading to these divisions, and the time they were made. The division left the county with its present limits, save that portion on the north side, which, in 1843, was set off to Cass County.

THE OLD SETTLERS' ASSOCIATION.

The following history of the Association, with its list of members, was prepared by the Secretary, Mr. Timothy Chamberlain. The society is one of the best organized in the Western States. Mr. Chamberlain has taken great pains in keeping the records of its meetings, and the list of its members, in an exceedingly neat and systematic manner in a book prepared by him expressly for this purpose:

At a Fourth of July celebration at Arcadia in 1869, there were found to be a large number of the early settlers of the county, and the conversation naturally turning to things and events of the past, and a desire having been expressed by many of the aged persons present to meet their friends of early days, it was decided among them that a call should be issued in the papers, and all invited to be present at a picnic.

The following appeared in the Jacksonville *Journal*, of September 2, 1869:

"OLD SETTLERS' MEETING.—A meeting of the old settlers of Morgan County will be held at Arcadia, Thursday, September 9th, in D. G. Henderson's grove, at which time Judge William Thomas, J. T. Jones, and M. P. Ayres, will speak. Other speakers are expected, and without doubt the picnic, for such it is to be, will be an occasion of great interest. It is desired that all those residing in the territory, which in 1830 was embraced in Morgan County, should be present and participate in the exercises. Old settlers are particularly invited."

The first regular meeting of the old settlers of Morgan, Cass, and Scott, was held in the grove near Arcadia, on Thursday, September 9th, 1869. Pioneers from all parts of these counties were on hand at an early hour. The exercises were opened with prayer, by Rev. Joel Goodrick. Hon. Joseph Morton, Capt. Yaples, Judge Whitlake, Bradley Thompson, M. P. Ayres, and others, made remarks appropriate to the occasion. A letter was read from Judge William Thomas, apologizing for and explaining his absence. Mr. Charles Cox was First Marshal of the day, and Mr. John M. Wilson assistant. Dr. John Craig was Secretary. Not less than 500 persons were present. An ode was sung, composed by Major George M. McConnel, of Jacksonville. The following resolution, offered by Mr. M. P. Ayres, was unanimously adopted:

"*Resolved*, That we cherish tenderly the recollection of the names of our honored dead, the early pioneers of our county, and we realize that though dead, yet through their works they still speak, and we trust we may imitate their virtues, and show by our works our appreciation of the toils and trials endured in our behalf."

It was intended that a regular association should be organized, so that hereafter annual meetings might be held, and every valuable act concerning the history of the county be preserved. However, the time was so fully occupied with other matters, that such an organization could not be effected, and a meeting was called for August 25, 1870, which met in Henderson's grove, near Arcadia, and after listening to speeches from Hon. Newton Cloud, Rev. N. P. Heath, Major G. M. McConnel, Senator Richard Yates, and others, a society was organized. A constitution was presented and read by Judge Wm. Thomas, and after being slightly amended, was adopted. According to its provisions all can become members who were in this region previous to the deep snow of 1830 and 1831.

CONSTITUTION.

On this 25th day of August, A. D. 1870, the old settlers residing in the counties of Morgan, Cass, and Scott, composed of the territory originally included in the County of Morgan, being assembled in Henderson's grove, near Arcadia, in order to secure annual meetings with each other, and to perpetuate the acquaintance and friendship which existed among them during the first years of their residence, agree to organize a society to continue without limit of time, and that the following shall be the constitution:

First. The society shall be called and known as the "Old Settlers of the County of Morgan."

Second. The society shall hold annual meetings at such times and places as each annual meeting shall designate for the next meeting.

Third. For the present, the society shall be composed of those who settled within the limits of the county previous to the deep snow of 1830 and 1831. Subsequent settlers may hereafter be admitted.

Fourth. The officers of the society shall be a president, to preside at the annual meetings, three vice presidents, six directors, a secretary, a treasurer, a chaplain, and a marshal, all to be elected or appointed annually.

Fifth. The general business of the society shall be superintended and directed by the president and directors, four of whom shall constitute a quorum.

Sixth. The secretary shall make and keep a roll of the members, and record of the proceedings and action of the president and directors, and of the society.

Seventh. The treasurer shall safely keep the funds of the society, and pay them out on orders of the president and directors of the society.

Eighth. The chaplain shall attend and open the annual meetings with prayer.

Ninth. The marshal shall have the general superintendence of the grounds, or place of meeting, and act under orders of the presiding officer.

Tenth. Each member of the society shall sign his or her name to this constitution, or cause the same to be signed, adding thereto the date of settlement and nativity.

Eleventh. This constitution shall be subject to alteration or amendment at any regular meeting.

An ode was sung, composed by Mrs. J. R. Bailey, entitled the "Pioneer," tune of "E. Pluribus Unum." Some slight amendments have since been made to the constitution, one of which admits members to the society who settled here previous to 1840.

The present officers of the society are: President, Wm. Thomas; Vice-Presidents, Elliott Stevenson, William Lindsey, and Jesse Henry; Secretary, Timothy Chamberlain; Treasurer, John Robertson; Chaplain, Rev. William Gallaher; Marshal, Charles Sample; Finance Committee, Bazzill Davenport, John A. Wright, John Tureman; Executive Committee, Huram Reeve, John Bergen, Joseph Morton, Keeling Berry, Samuel Brockman.

There is no charge made, and all who have been in the limits of old Morgan previous to 1840, have frequently been invited to sign the constitution, or send their names to the secretary. Yet there are a great many persons who have neglected to attend to this matter, and their names therefore do not appear in the following list of members:

Atherton, Ann, born New York, 1810; settled Morgan co. 1828.
Anderson, James S., born Ky., 1810; settled Morgan co. October, 1830.
Angel, John, born Ind., 1823; settled Morgan co. 1827.
Adams, Joseph, born Ky., 1805; settled Morgan co. 1830.
Aedor, Jacob, born Md., 1792; settled Morgan co. 1831.
Adams, G. W. born Ill., 1835; settled Morgan co. 1835.
Antel, James, born Ky., 1815; settled Morgan co. 1820.

Ayres, Marshall P., born Pa., 1823 ; settled Morgan co. 1830.
Ayres, Augustus E., born Pa., 1826 ; settled Morgan co. 1830.
Akers, Peter Rev., born Va., 1790 ; settled Morgan co. 1834.

Braner, John, born Va., 1803 ; settled Morgan co. October, 1830.
Black, Samuel, born Va., 1798 ; settled Morgan co. Fall, 1828.
Bancroft, J. H., born Conn., 1813 ; settled Morgan co. 1834.
Bergen J. F., born N. J., 1812 ; settled Morgan co. October, 1828.
Broadwell, Wm. H., born Ill., 1823 ; settled Morgan co. 1823, born in Morgan co.
Bennett, Isaac R., born Ky., 1802 ; settled Morgan co. September, 1829.
Bridgeman, Hezekiah, born Va., 1797 ; settled Morgan co. Dec. 9, 1830.
Beggs, Wm. Harvey, born Ind., 1817 ; settled Morgan co. Sept. 1829.
Buckley, Mary E., born N. Y., 1813 ; settled in American bottom, 1819.
Bedwell, Rachel, born Ohio, 1799. Was in Morgan before Jacksonville was laid out. Husband hauled logs for jail.
Boyer, J. H., born Ky., 1823 ; settled Morgan co. November, 1830.
Boyer, Jacob, born N. C., 1797 ; settled Morgan co. October, 1822.
Bridgeman, Franklin, born Va., 1821 ; settled Morgan co. Dec. 9, 1830.
Black, Mildred Mrs., born Va., 1802 ; settled Morgan co. 1826.
Boyce, Elizabeth Mrs., born Tenn., 1800 ; settled Morgan co. 1830 ; died 1875.
Becroft, Aquilla, born Md., 1798 ; settled Morgan co. 1833.
Birdsal, Clark, born N. Y., 1800 ; settled Morgan co. 1821.
Brown, Bedford, born Ky., 1799 ; settled Morgan co. 1828 ; died 1873.
Brown, Geo. S., born Ky., 1823 ; settled Morgan co. 1828.
Beers, N. B., born Conn., 1817 ; settled Morgan co. 1845.
Bateman, Samuel, born Eng., 1804 ; settled Morgan co. 1830.
Buckanan, Hardin, born Ill., 1820 ; settled Morgan co. 1820.
Beavis, William, born Eng., 1803 ; settled Morgan co. 1832.
Berry, Keeling, born Va., 1818 ; settled Morgan co. 1823.
Black, William, born Ga., 1796 ; settled Morgan co. 1833.
Brown, James, born Tenn., 1825 ; settled Morgan co. 1830.
Brown, John, born N. C., 1800 ; settled Morgan co. Fall, 1828.
Barton, J. M. Mrs., born Mass., 1797 ; settled Morgan co. 1827; died 1877.
Barber, Thomas, born Eng., 1809 ; settled Morgan co. 1835.
Brown, L. W., born Ky., 1824 ; settled Morgan co. 1833.
Brewer, W. T., born Ky., 1817 ; settled Morgan co. 1823.
Bridgeman, Isaac, born Ill., 1831 ; settled Morgan co. 1831.

Cox, Charles, born Ky., 1821 ; settled Morgan co. November, 1829.
Craig, Margretta A., born Ill., 1829 ; settled Morgan co. January, 1829.
Cloud, Newton, born N. C., 1805 ; settled Morgan co. October, 1827.
Chamberlain, A. T. Mrs., born N. J., 1819 ; settled Morgan co. April, 1820 ; daughter of James Buckley ; died March 1877.
Couchman, B. F., born Ky., 1822 ; settled Morgan co. November, 1827.
Carson, William, born Va., 1804 ; settled Morgan co. 1824 ; father kept the first hotel in Jacksonville ; died 1876.
Cox, Corriden, born Va., 1811 ; settled Morgan co. October, 1829.
Chappel, Eliza A. Mrs., born Ky., 1813 ; settled Morgan co. Sept., 1827.
Caldwell, Robt. L., born Ky., 1828 ; settled Morgan co. November, 1830.
Couchman, E. R., born Ky., 1819 ; settled Morgan co. October, 1827.

Clegg, Elizabeth Mrs., born Eng., 1804; settled Morgan co. 1838.
Conlee, Isaac, born Tenn., 1795; settled Morgan co. 1826; Baptist minister, came to Illinois 1815.
Chamberlain, Timothy, born Mass., 1812; settled Morgan co. May 14, 1832.
Carson, Thomas M., born Va., 1808; settled Morgan co. 1825; in Illinois, 1824; died Feb. 24, 1875.
Carson, John A. J., born Va., 1816; settled Morgan co. 1824.
Chamberlain, Timothy S., born Mass., 1786; settled Morgan co. December, 1832; died July 26, 1873.
Cook, Mary, born Tenn., 1804; settled Morgan co. 1828.
Catlin, Joel, born Conn., 1796; settled Morgan co. 1832.
Crum, A. A., born Ind., 1823; settled Morgan co. 1831.
Crum, John W., born Ind., 1823; settled Morgan co. 1831; brothers,
Craig, J. Perry, born Ky., 1817; settled Morgan co. 1834; died, 1877.
Carter, George, born Conn., 1809; settled Morgan co. 1835.
Cooper, Armstrong. born Tenn., 1812; settled Morgan co. 1835.
Chandler, Charles, born Conn., 1806; settled Morgan co. 1832; physician.
Cosner, T. J., born N. C., 1815; settled Morgan co. 1832.
Carruthers, Allen, born Ark., 1821; settled Morgan co. 1825.
Cox. J. M., born Ill., 1825; settled Morgan co. 1825; born in Morgan.
Craig, Edward, born Ky., 1807; settled Morgan co. 1830.
Craig, Mary Ann Mrs., born Ky., 1811; settled Morgan co. 1832.
Craig, James, born Ky., 1807; settled Morgan co. 1830.
Craig, Maria S. Mrs., born Ky., 1815; settled Morgan co, 1827.
Chambers, J. R., born Ill., 1830; settled Morgan co. 1830.
Conlee, Allen, born Ill., 1825; settled Morgan co. 1827.
Carts, George, born Ky., 1803; settled Morgan co. 1822.
Cole, David, born N. J., 1817; settled Morgan co. May, 1839.
Cole, Sarah S. Mrs., born Ky.; settled Morgan co. Fall, 1828.
Conover, Vis. V., born Ill., 1826; settled Morgan co. 1826.

Davenport, Bazzill, born Ill., 1832; settled Morgan co. 1832.
Davenport, David, born Ill., 1830; settled Morgan co. 1830; died 1877.
Daniels, Buker, born Ill., 1828; settled Morgan co. July, 1828.
Daniels, Verian, born Mass., 1799; settled Morgan co. November, 1827; died 1876.
Daniels, Nancy W. Mrs., born Mass., 1805; settled Morgan co. November, 1827; husband and wife; died 1872.
Deaton, Joseph P., born Va., 1805; settled Morgan co. April, 1821.
Davenport, Milton C., born Ky., 1822; settled Morgan co. October, 1825.
Duncan, S. S., born Ky., 1810; settled Morgan co. March, 1822.
Deaton, Levi, born Va., 1803; settled Morgan co. 1820.
Dean, Levi, born Vt., 1811; settled Morgan co. 1838.
Deaton, Sarah, born Tenn., 1808; settled Morgan co. 1828.
Deaton, Matilda, born Tenn., 1818; settled Morgan co. 1829.
Duncan, Elizabeth C. Mrs., born N. Y., 1810; settled Morgan co. 1827; widow of Gov. Joseph Duncan; died 1876.
Deaton, Thos. jr., born Ill., 1833; settled Morgan co. 1833.
Deaton, Mary A., born Ky., 1826; settled Morgan co. 1831.
Dietrech, Jacob H., born Pa., 1815; settled Morgan co. 1835.

Devore, Uriah J., born Ky., 1805; settled Morgan co. 1831.
Daugherty, James M., born Ky., 1799; settled Morgan co. 1830.
Daugherty, Sarah Mrs., born Va., 1817; settled Morgan co. 1836.
Davis, J. A., born Ill., 1824; settled Morgan co. 1824.
Dick, Levi, born Ky., 1815; settled Morgan co. 1831.
Dodsworth, Stephen, born Eng., 1816; settled Morgan co. 1834.
Deaton, William, born Va., 1819; settled Morgan co. 1820.
Deatherage, Achilles, born N. C., 1799; settled Morgan co. 1825.
Devore, A. B., born Ky., 1819; settled Morgan co. 1831.
Dennis, Reuben, born N. C., 1800; settled Morgan co. 1833.
Douglas, A., born Conn., 1791; settled Morgan co. 1856; Ill. in 1817.
Deaton, James, born Ill., 1836; settled Morgan co. 1836.
Deaton, Martha A., born Ill., 1832; settled Morgan co. 1832; daughter of D. Ingals.
Davenport, Brax, born Ohio, 1827; settled Morgan co. 1829.

Edmonson, M. C., born Mo., 1823; settled Morgan co. 1828.
Evans, Arden, born Tenn., 1810; settled Morgan co. 1829.
Ennis, Henry M., born Ky., 1824; settled Morgan co. 1834.
Eads, Chamock, born Ky., 1815; settled Morgan co. 1835.
Epler, Jacob, born Ind., 1803; settled Morgan co. 1829.
Epler, David, born Ind., 1804; settled Morgan co. 1831; died 1877.
Epler, Cyrus.
English, Doc. Nathaniel, born Va., 1806; settled Morgan co. 1836.

Foreman, Anderson, born N. C., 1809; settled Morgan co. November, 1828.
Foreman, Elizabeth W., born Ill., 1823; settled Morgan co. 1828.
French, Samuel, born N. H., 1813; settled Morgan co. 1837.

Goodpasterre, J. J., born Tenn., 1817; settled Morgan co. 1826.
Greaton, David, born Ohio, 1810; settled Morgan co. February, 1825.
Goodpasterre, William, born Tenn., 1810; settled Morgan co. 1826.
Gains, B. F., born Va., 1806; settled Morgan co. December, 1830; in the State in 1825.
Goltra, M. C., born N. J., 1809; settled Morgan co. 1836.
Gatton, Zachariah W., born Ky., 1812; settled Morgan co. 1824.
Goodrick, Joel, born Va., 1816; settled Morgan co. 1835.
Gallaher, Wm. G., born Tenn., 1801; settled Morgan co. 1835.
Graves, George W., born Ill., 1833; settled Morgan co. 1833.
Gorham, John, born N. Y., 1812; settled Morgan co. 1823.
Graham, J. W., born Ill., 1833; settled Morgan co. 1833.
Gunn, Jesse C., born Tenn., 1825; settled Morgan co. 1830.
Gunn, Hannah T. Mrs., born Ky., 1824; settled Morgan co. 1831.
Graff, George, born Ky., 1816; settled Morgan co. 1834.
Gunn, A. S., born Tenn., 1810; settled Morgan co. 1830.
Gaines, R. G., born Va., 1801; settled Morgan co. 1830.
Goodrick, R. A. Mrs., born Ky.; settled Morgan co. 1835.

Henderson, Stephen Capt., born Va., 1793; settled Morgan co. Sept. 1825.
Hudson, Isaac, born Ky., 1813; settled Morgan co. March, 1827.
Henderson, Susan Mrs., born Va., 1801; settled Morgan co. Sept. 1825; wife of Capt. Stephen H., married in Ohio, 1819; died, 1863.

Henderson, David G., born Va., 1796; settled Morgan co. April, 1826.
Henderson, Mary, born Va., 1796; settled Morgan co. 1826; wife of D. G. H.; died September 15, 1872.
Huffman, Alexander, born Va., 1800; settled Morgan co. Nov. 1827.
Huffman, Mildred, born Va., 1797; settled Morgan co. November, 1827; wife of A. H.
Hurst, Wm. S., born Ky., 1800; settled Morgan co. May, 1829.
Humphrey, Wm. D., born Ky., 1817; settled Morgan co. Nov. 1828.
House, Nancy, born Ill., 1824; settled Morgan co. Spring, 1825; born in Sangamon.
Hudson, Peter S., born Md., 1803; settled Morgan co. Fall, 1827.
Henderson, Chas. born Va., 1797; settled Morgan co. June, 1831.
Henderson, Jackson, born Ill., 1827; settled Morgan co. July 24, 1827; still lives on the same farm where he was born.
Hale, Mrs., born Ill., 1831; settled Morgan co. October 29, 1831.
Humphrey, B. N., born Ky., 1811; settled Morgan co. May 2, 1829.
Hopkins, Henry, born Del., 1794; settled Morgan co. 1825.
Hughes, John A., born Ky., 1803; settled Morgan co. 1823.
Holmes, William, born N. Y., 1799; settled Morgan co. 1826.
Huckstep, Thos. C., born Va., 1805; settled Morgan co. 1831.
Holliday, Miles, born Tenn., 1819; settled Morgan co. 1825.
Houston, Jonas Ira, born Ill., 1828, settled Morgan co. 1828; born in Morgan.
Heath, N. P. Rev., born Ohio, 1818; Ill., 1819.
Harding, Peyton, born Ky., 1817; settled Morgan co. 1826.
Hamilton, John C. Rev., born Ky., 1797; settled Morgan co. 1834.
Hamilton, John A., born Ohio, 1823; settled Morgan co. 1828.
Hembrough, Richard, born Eng., 1814; settled Morgan co. 1829.
Henry, John, born Ky., 1800; settled Morgan co. 1828.
Hutchinson, W. A., born Ind., 1828; settled Morgan co. 1830.
Hall, H. H., born Va., 1827; settled Morgan co. 1835.
Harris, W. P., born Ky., 1807; settled Morgan co. Spring, 1829.
Hilliard, Joseph, born Va., 1821; settled Morgan co. 1823.
Hart, David, born Ky., 1802; settled Morgan co. 1828.
Henry, Elijah, born Ky., 1821; settled Morgan co. 1830.
Holliday, Charles L., born Ky., 1820; settled Morgan co. 1831.
Henderson, D. Pat., born Ky., 1810; settled Morgan co. 1831.
Hayes, Joseph, born Ill., 1819; settled Morgan co. 1821.
Haskell, Emma Mrs., born Ky.; settled Morgan co. 1830.
Hutchinson, Wm. A., born Ind., 1828; settled Morgan co. 1830.

Ingals, A., born N. Y., 1823; settled Morgan co. 1824.

Jackson, Quirzah, born Ill.; married to Charles Sample, 1844.
James, Robert, born Va., 1792; settled Morgan co. May, 1820; died, 1873.
James, Eleanor, born Va., 1815; settled Morgan co. 1820; deceased wife of R. J.
Johnson, Barbara, born Ohio, 1809; settled Morgan co. 1829.
Jones, Jane Mrs., born Md., 1798; settled Morgan co. 1827; widow of Thos. Church and John T. Jones.

Jordon, Eliza Mrs. born Pa., 1805; settled Morgan co. 1827.
Johnson, Dianah, born N. C., 1790; settled Morgan co. 1828.
Johnson, Alex., born Ky., 1819; settled Morgan co. 1829.
Jumpp, E. P., born Ky., 1822; settled Morgan co. 1833.
Jordon, Wm. S., born Ill., 1803; settled Morgan co. 1822.

Knight, Cyrus Dr., born Me., 1806; settled Morgan co. 1837.
King, Joseph W., born Conn., 1808; settled Morgan co. November, 1838.
Keplinger, Samuel, born Tenn., 1809; settled Morgan co. 1829.
King, Joseph O.

Lackey, Henry, born Ky., 1802; settled Morgan co. September, 1830.
Lackey, Mary, born Ky., 1807; settled Morgan co. September, 1830; wife of H. L.; died 1869.
Loar, George, born Ky., 1800; settled Morgan co. September, 1830.
Loar, Ann, born Ky., 1805; settled Morgan co. September, 1830; wife of G. L.
Lazenby, John, born Eng., 1802; settled Morgan co. July 30, 1829.
Long, W. George, born N. C., 1799; settled Morgan co. Oct. 1828; died 1876.
Lee, John, born Eng., 1802; settled Morgan co. 1830.
Lazenby, Sarah, born Eng., 1804; settled Morgan co. 1829.
Leonard, E. B., born Ill., 1826; settled Morgan co. 1826.
Lindsey, James, born Tenn., 1806; settled Morgan co. 1823.
Loughary, Arthur, born Tenn., 1810; settled Morgan co. 1830.
Langley, James, born Ky., 1786; settled Morgan co. 1829; Ill. in 1824.
Lybarger, E. J. Mrs., born Ill., 1832; settled Morgan co. 1832; daughter of Levi Church.
Love, G. E., born Ill., 1835; settled Morgan co. 1835.
Larimore, Priscella Mrs., born Ky., 1806; settled Morgan co. April, 1830.

Morton, Joseph Col., born Va., 1801; settled Morgan co. 1820; settled in Madison co. in 1819.
Mattingly, S. J., born Ky., 1817; settled Morgan co. October, 1824.
Morton, Mary Mrs., born Ky., 1804; settled Morgan co. 1824; wife of Jos. Morton; died February 14, 1874.
Miller, E. T., born Ky., 1801; settled Morgan co. June, 1827; in Illinois, 1817.
Miller, Lucinda D. Mrs., born N. Y., 1811; settled Morgan co. 1824: in Illinois in 1819; wife of E. T. Miller.
Massey, Horatio H., born N. Y., 1811; settled Morgan co. 1826.
Massey, Stephen S., born N. Y., 1814; settled Morgan co. 1826.
Markoe, Samuel, born Pa., 1820; settled Morgan co. 1840.
Mathews, Saml. T. Col., born Ky., 1799; settled Morgan co. 1821; died 1875.
Mathews, Richard, born Ky., 1815; settled Morgan co. 1821.
Massie, Henderson, born Va., 1810; settled Morgan co. 1829.
Montgomery, John W., born Va., 1815; settled Morgan co. 1829.
Metcalf, Emanuel, born Ill., 1810; settled Morgan co. 1829.
Mereia, Jacob, born Va., 1811; settled Morgan co. 1836.
McDonald, A. N., born Scotland, 1823; settled Morgan co. 1835.
Moss, J. B., born Tenn., 1816; settled Morgan co. 1827.

Morrison, Robert Doc., born Va., 1811 ; settled Morgan co. 1832.
Morrison, A. A. Mrs., born Ill., 1821 ; settled Morgan co. 1821 ; wife of Dr. R. M.
McCormack, J. L., born Ill., 1828 ; settled Morgan co. 1832.
Mansfield, James, born Ky., 1819 ; settled Morgan co. 1828.
Massey, Silas, born N. H., 1787 ; settled Morgan co. 1826 ; died 1873.
McAlistor, Mary O. Mrs., born Tenn., 1826 ; settled Morgan co. November, 1827 ; daughter of V. Daniels.
McPherson, Wm. S., born Va. 1814 ; settled Morgan co. 1822.
McElfresh, Greenberry, born Ky., 1832 ; settled Morgan co. 1834.

Osborn, Harrison, born Ga., 1800 ; settled Morgan co. 1830.

Pitner, Alex., born Tenn., 1804 ; settled Morgan co. 1824.
Parrott, R. D., born Ky., 1822 ; settled Morgan co. November, 1835.
Petefish, John R., born Ohio, 1825 ; settled Morgan co. Fall, 1830.
Patterson, A. C., born Ky., 1823 ; settled Morgan co. November, 1830.
Patterson, Wm. J., born Ky., 1810 ; settled Morgan co. 1830.
Patterson, Franklin H., born Ky., 1816 ; settled Morgan co. 1830.
Post, William, born N. Y., 1802 ; settled Morgan co. 1835.
Petefish, Samuel H., born Va., 1824 ; settled Morgan co. 1835.
Petefish, N. M. Mrs., born Ill., 1828 ; settled Morgan co. 1828 ; wife of S. H. P.
Peters, Aaron, born Pa., 1796 ; settled Morgan co. 1827.
Peters, David, born Ohio, 1821 ; settled Morgan co. 1827.
Peters, Sarah Miss, born Ky., 1817 ; settled Morgan co. 1827.
Phillips, H. C., born N. C., 1812 ; settled Morgan co. 1830.
Petree, Francis, born N. C., 1792 ; settled Morgan co. 1821.
Park, J. A., born Ky., 1818 ; settled Morgan co. 1831.
Patterson, Wm., born Ky., 1800 ; settled Morgan co. 1829.
Pitner, Jane W. Mrs., born Tenn., 1807 ; settled Morgan co. 1826 ; wife of Montgomery Pitner ; died 1875.

Redding, John, born Ill., 1824 ; settled Morgan co. 1824.
Roach, Joseph, born Ill., 1828 ; settled Morgan co. 1828.
Ratikin, William, born Ky., 1816 ; settled Morgan co. December, 1829.
Robertson, M. A., born Ill., 1824 ; settled Morgan co. 1824 ; wife of J. Robertson ; died 1867.
Robertson, Charles, born N. Y., 1800 ; settled in Morgan co. April, 1821; died 1877.
Reeve, Huram, born N. C., 1806 ; settled Morgan co. 1820 ; in St. Clair 1816.
Reeve, Isaac B., born N. C., 1804 ; settled Morgan co. 1820.
Reeve, John, born N. C., 1802 ; settled Morgan co. March, 1820.
Rudisell, Harriett Mrs., born Ill., 1814 ; settled Morgan co. October 1821 ; wife of Daniel Rudisell.
Reed, Stephen H., born Ky., 1815 ; settled Morgan co. 1826.
Riggs, Milton W., born Ill., 1820 ; settled Morgan co. October, 1825 ; born in Lawrence co.
Ross, L. B., born Tenn., 1812 ; settled Morgan co. October, 1827.
Richardson, William, born Eng., 1814 ; settled Morgan co. October, 1831.
Rearick, Emma Mrs., born N. J., 1811 ; settled Morgan co. 1820 ; widow of Capt. G. D. R.

Ruble, Jesse, born Tenn., 1797; settled Morgan co. 1826; died July, 1871.
Ruble, Richard, born Ill., 1825; settled Morgan co. 1825.
Reed, Maro M. L. Dr., born Conn., 1801; settled Morgan co. 1830; died 1877.
Reed, Elizabeth L. Mrs., born Conn., 1807; settled Morgan co. 1830.
Rodgers, Joseph W, born Ky.; settled Morgan co. 1826.
Rudisell, Daniel, born Pa., 1799; settled Morgan co. 1830.
Rubart, Jacob, born Ill., 1831; settled Morgan co. 1831.
Redding, J. N., born Ky., 1808; settled Morgan co. 1822.
Reed, Abraham, born Ky., 1820; settled Morgan co. 1822.
Rucker, C. C. Mrs., born N. J., 1792; settled Morgan co. 1824.
Rude, Samuel W., born Ohio, 1818; settled Morgan co. 1830.
Rohrer, Albert, born Ill., 1830; settled Morgan co. 1830.
Rigg, A. P., born Ky., 1813; settled Morgan co. 1829.
Russell, Hezekiah, born N. C., 1792; settled Morgan co. 1830.
Redding, John, born Ill., 1824; settled Morgan co. 1824.
Rynders, A., born N. Y., 1798; settled Morgan co. 1835.
Roberts, James A., born Tenn., 1819; settled Morgan co. 1833.
Roberts, Wm. H., born Tenn., 1817; settled Morgan co. 1833.
Reynolds, Joseph, born Tenn., 1810; settled Morgan co. 1828.
Rutledge, Wm. J., born Va., 1820; settled Morgan co. 1834.
Reed, Wm. L., born Ill., 1811; settled Morgan co. 1822.
Rorkwell, Wm., born Ill., 1827; settled Morgan co. 1827.
Richardson, B. B., born Tenn., 1810; settled Morgan co. 1821; died 1873.
Riggs, Scott, born N. C., 1779; settled Morgan co. 1825.
Robertson, John, born Ill., 1823; settled Morgan co. 1823.

Stevenson, Benj. F., born Ky., 1816; settled Morgan co. May, 1829.
Scott, Edward, born England, 1829; settled Morgan co. December, 1829; six months old when he arrived in America.
Stevenson, Wm., born Ky., 1814; settled Morgan co. November, 1829.
Spates, Preston, born Ky., 1823; settled Morgan co. October, 1830.
Stacy, James D., born Ill., 1828; settled Morgan co. June, 1828.
Stacy, Martha A., born Ky., 1829; settled Morgan co. 1829.
Stacy, Mathew, born Va., 1799; settled Morgan co. October, 1827.
Stevenson, James, born Ky., 1813; settled Morgan co. October, 1829.
Spotts, E. W., born Del., 1817; settled Morgan co. October, 1832.
Sinclair, Watson, born Tenn., 1806; settled Morgan co. 1829.
Scott, Thomas, born England, 1821; settled Morgan co. 1829.
Stevenson, Elliott, born Ky., 1804; settled Morgan co. 1828.
Smith, John, born Tenn., 1824; settled Morgan co. November 10, 1837.
Stevenson, Fleming, born Ky., 1809; settled Morgan co. 1828; died December 24, 1874.
Smith, John, born Pa., 1790; settled Morgan co. 1824.
Sample, David, born Ill., 1821; settled Morgan co. 1823.
Stevenson, E. J. Mrs., born Ky., 1809; settled Morgan co. 1828.
Simmons, David M., born Ky., 1826; settled Morgan co. 1828.
Stockton, Allen, born Ky., 1810; settled Morgan co. 1830; lived and died within 100 yards where first settled; died 1871.
Spates, M. A. Mrs., born Ky., 1825; settled Morgan co. October, 1830; wife of Pres. Spates.

Shaffar, Sophia Mrs., born Va., 1817; settled Morgan co. 1827.
Simms, L. Black, born Ill., 1817.
Sturtevant, Julian M., born Conn., 1805; settled Morgan co. 1829.
Sprague, Joshua, born N. Y., 1791; settled Morgan co. 1823.
Shepherd, Thornton, born N. C., 1795; settled Morgan co. 1830.
Smith, Ashford, born Va., 1790; settled Morgan co. 1830.
Sample, Charles, born Ill., 1818; settled Morgan co. 1823.
Short, Samuel, born ~~Va., 1804;~~ settled Morgan co. 1829.
Stacy, Thomas P., born Ky., 1827; settled Morgan co. 1827.
Scholey, Charles, born Tenn., 1817; settled Morgan co. 1832.
Sheets, Isaac, born Ky., 1810; settled Morgan co. 1829.
Shelton, Martha E., born Pa., 1815; settled Morgan co. 1831.
Simms, Wesley, born Ky., 1819; settled Morgan co. 1827.
Spiers, John, born N. C., 1798; settled Morgan co. 1830.
Shepherd, Joseph J., born Ky., 1827; settled Morgan co. 1830.
Sharpe, Jonathan, born Tenn., 1820; settled Morgan co. 1829.
Strawn, James G., born Ohio, 1824; settled Morgan co. 1829.
Stevenson, William, born Ky., 1813; settled Morgan co. 1829.
Stribling, B. F. W., born Ky., 1819; settled Morgan co. 1827.
Sanders, L. F., born Va., 1809; settled Morgan co. 1835.
Short, W. F., born Ohio, 1829; settled Morgan co. 1834.
Sheffield, G. W., born Va., 1815; settled Morgan co. 1829.
Storey, J. W., born Tenn., 1827; settled Morgan co. 1829.
Simms, Silas, born Ky., 1814; settled Morgan co. 1827.
Smith, Samuel, born N. C., 1803; settled Morgan co. 1833.
Samples, Andrew, born Ky., 1798; settled Morgan co. 1824.
Seymore, John P., born N. C., 1828; settled Morgan co. 1831.
Seymore, Bird, born N. C., 1808; settled Morgan co. 1831.
Seymore, Jackson, born N. C., 1822; settled Morgan co. 1829.
Steele, James, born Pa., 1808; settled Morgan co. 1837.
Saunderson, Thomas, born Tenn., 1816; settled Morgan co. 1827.
Stagg, Isabella A., born Ill., 1830; settled Morgan co. 1830; daughter of D. Ingals.
Sibbald, Agnes W., born Scotland, 1820; settled Morgan co. 1836.
Spaulding, Horace.
Spaulding, Mrs.

Thompson, R. Davis, born Ky., 1811; settled Morgan co. June, 1829.
Trotter, W. D. R. Rev., born Ky., 1806; settled Morgan co. May, 1830.
Thompson, J. Bradley, born Ky., 1814; settled Morgan co. June, 1827.
Thomas, William, born Ky., 1802; settled Morgan co. Oct., 1826.
Turnham, Joseph, born Ind., 1823; settled Morgan co. 1828.
Turnham, John B., born Tenn., 1810; settled Morgan co. 1828.
Tureman, George, born Ky., 1816; settled Morgan co. 1827.
Trotter, Joseph A., born Ind., 1830; settled Morgan co. 1831.
Turner, W. D., born Ill., 1822; settled Morgan co. 1827,
Turner, A. J., born Ill., 1814; settled Morgan co. 1828.
Tunnell, Stephen, born Tenn., 1820; settled Morgan co. 1830.
Thompson, N. B., born Ill., 1813; settled Morgan co. 1827.
Taylor, William, born Ky., 1814; settled Morgan co. 1821.

Van Winkle, Hiram, born Ky.; settled Morgan co. 1829.

Vaughn, George C., born Va., 1816; settled Morgan co. 1830.
Van Winkle, John, born Ga., 1800; settled Morgan co. 1827.

Whorton, John, born Ky., 1799; settled Morgan co. Oct. 1830.
Wilson, John, born Ky., 1821; settled Morgan co. 1823.
Wilson, Charles R., born N. J., 1817; settled Morgan co. April, 1820; son of Aaron Wilson; died 1873.
Wolcott, Elizur, born Conn., 1817; settled Morgan co. 1830.
Westrope, John, born Ohio, 1805; settled Morgan co. 1828.
Wyatt, James L., born Ky., 1824; settled Morgan co. 1829.
Wells, Alexander, born Pa., 1782; settled Morgan co. 1820; Ill., 1807.
Wiswall, Samantha Mrs., born Vt., 1802; settled Morgan co. 1820; relict of Thomas Wiswall.
Williamson, Wm., born Ky., 1792; settled Morgan co. 1834.
Williams, Samuel, born Ky., 1822; settled Morgan co. 1827.
Wilson, John M., born Ky., 1815; settled Morgan co. 1824.
Whitlock, H. G., born Ill., 1831; settled Morgan co. 1831.
Walker, Alexander, born Ky., 1816; settled Morgan co. 1827.
Wilson, C. J., born Tenn., 1817; settled Morgan co. 1832.
Wyatt, E. M., born Ky., 1809; settled Morgan co. 1828.
Waters, Z., born Ky., 1821; settled Morgan co. 1825.
Wright, William, born Ky., 1808; settled Morgan co. 1829.
Wimmer, G. W., born Md., 1796; settled Morgan co. 1822; 1819, in Sangamon.

Young, Dudley, born Va., 1797; settled Morgan co. 1830.

THE COMMON SCHOOLS.

The first attempts at popular education in Morgan County, were made in the Winter of 1820–21. That winter a school was taught in a cabin of one of the settlers. But few scholars attended—there were few to attend—and the term lasted but a short time. The teacher received his pay in the currency of the time—coonskins and beeswax—and probably, as in after years, "boarded 'round." The next year another similar school was taught in the new settlements, and so continued until the settlement of the country justified the erection of a house for educational purposes. This was, like all buildings of its day, made of logs; had no window glass, no stove, and a puncheon floor. The door was hung on a wooden hinge, a huge fire-place supplied heat, and on one side a log was left out, the interstice covered with greased paper to admit light.

The teachers of that day were generally of an itinerant class of pedagogues, often with little learning. Among them, however, were some excellent teachers, who are yet kindly remembered by their pupils, now old men and old women.

The schools were always "pay schools," that is, each patron paid a certain amount per scholar, for the quarter. This pay almost always consisted in the common currency of pioneer times—coonskins and beeswax. Peltry of various kinds was also used, for money was not to be had. These articles the master could use to pay his board, when he occupied one place, or could exchange for other necessaries of life.

pupils. The attendance at present is one hundred and sixty-five. The superintendent is Mr. Joseph Harker, who is assisted by three teachers. The teaching of the German language is a specialty, one room being devoted to that branch. The Board of Education consists of Messrs. Geo. W. Graham, David Schroll, G. N. Beauchamp.

Lodges and Societies. A. F. & A. M. *Benevolent Lodge* No. 52, was organized in 1848. Its present membership numbers 62. Meetings, Saturday evening before full moon, in each month.

Meredosia Chapter No. 11, was organized in 1850. Membership at present, 64. Meets first Wednesday in each month.

A Council has recently been formed, but the organization has not yet been perfected.

I. O. O. F. *Meredosia Lodge* No. 138, was organized in 1855. Has now 30 members. The meetings are held every Thursday evening.

Dosia Encampment No. 166, was organized in 1875. Has present membership of 14. Meets first and third Mondays of each month.

The Press. Through the instrumentality of Mr. Geo. W. Graham, Mr. J. R. Miller was induced to open a printing office in Meredosia in 1877. The press used at first was a "Washington," and the type was insufficient for the office. Since then the office has been furnished with a new job press and new type and is doing a good business. Mr. Miller is editor of *The Meredosia Monitor*, which is well sustained.

WAVERLY

Is the second town in size in the county. It is situated in the southeast corner of the county, on the Jacksonville, Northwestern and Southeastern Railroad, and is about twenty miles from the county-seat. Prior to the year 1836, the land on which the town is situated was an unbroken wilderness, with no habitues, save the native animals of the prairies. The country round about the place contained a few settlers, these generally living in the edge of the timber. Their habitations were diminutive log structures of the day, and their trading places were generally Jacksonville, Alton and Springfield. The first settler in this part of the county was Milton Shirtleff, who located on Section 11, about 1822. Among the other early settlers were John Hunt, James Loudon, Michael Miller, Jacob Black, Rev. Isaac Conlee, Joseph Thomas, Nicholas Russell, Flemming C. Maupin, John Turner, Joseph Wise, and Joseph Caruthers. The first marriage here was that of Mr. Christopher Ashbaugh to Miss Elizabeth Thomas. In 1827, the first death in this community occurred, being that of Henry, son of John Hunt.

Rev. William Rogers preached the first sermon here, at the house of Rev. Isaac Conlee. He was a Baptist clergyman, and was well known in this community. The first school in this neighborhood was taught by John Scott. It was, like all other schools of the day, paid by subscription; the compensation being peltry and bees-wax, the circulating currency of the time. This part of the county grew slowly. The Illinois College was founded by men from New Haven, Conn., among them Dr. J. M. Sturtevant, so long its honored president.

It is well known by all that the founding of the college was largely the result of the labors of a band of young men, who had determined to make the Northwest the field of their life labors.

Mr. Cleveland J. Salter, a native of New Haven, Conn., and then a merchant in that city, had become acquainted with this band of young men, and from them had learned their plans, and something of their success. He knew of the founding of Illinois College, and of the desire among its friends to establish a theological school.

While a merchant in New Haven he concluded to visit the Great West, and in 1834, he made a tour, mostly by stage, through a portion of Illinois, visiting Jacksonville, Quincy, and other places In 1835, on the recommendation of a friend residing in Jacksonville, he made an investment in land, where Waverly now stands, of about five thousand acres, Messrs. D. B. Salter, Alexander C. Twining, and Joseph A Tanner, having with him about one-half interest. On the 18th of May, 1836, these persons laid out the village of Waverly, donating a capacious public square, and also six hundred and forty acres of land near the village for educational purposes.

Mr. C. J. Salter had returned for his family in 1835, having determined to emigrate to the new town. During his absence the proprietors of the village had erected a brick seminary and a frame boarding-house, at an aggregate expense of about $5,000. Mr. Salter's route, in common with all other emigrants, was by various modes of travel to Pittsburgh, thence down the Ohio River in a steamboat to its confluence with the Mississippi, and up that river by the same conveyance to St. Louis. At this place they took stages on the route to Springfield, and came to Auburn, where in wagons they proceeded to their new home. On their arrival at Waverly the only house which they could use was the boarding-house, then just completed. Here they lived until Mr. Salter could erect a brick dwelling—the first in this part of the county. This became, with various improvements, the family residence, and here Mr. Salter resided until his death, which occurred on the 27th of January, 1878.

The only buildings on the site of the town at the time of Mr. Salter and his family's arrival, were the boarding-house and the brick seminary already mentioned. A little over a mile west of the new town, a village plat under the name of Appalona, had been surveyed, and some attempts at village life begun. Here was a blacksmith's shop, a postoffice, and one or two cabins; the latter at this time were occupied by a few families just locating in the country. The village of Appalona had received its name from Apple Creek, on which it was situated, and though vigorous efforts were made by its projectors to establish a prosperous town here, the attempt was a failure, and Appalona exists only in name. The postoffice was retained here, however, until about 1847, when the stage route was changed so as to pass through Waverly. The chief aim of the founders of Waverly was the establishing of a school. Hence the erection of the seminary and boarding-house before the other structures were begun. The town grew but slowly at first; its founders could not induce settlers rapidly to locate in their midst, and for ten years the village scarcely contained two hundred inhabitants. Dr. I. H. Brown was among the first to settle here; he was a prominent physician, and was widely known throughout the entire community. Mr. Theodore Watson, now a resident of Waverly, located here in 1839. Concerning his recollections of the place at that date, he says:

"There were then but very few people in the place. The public

square was overgrown with a mass of vines, underbrush, and small trees. It remained in this condition several years, when about 1848 it was cleared off, small trees planted, and the unsightly rail-fence gave way to the present one of plank. When I came here," continued Mr. Watson, "the boarding-house was occupied, and the school in operation. Dr. I. H. Brown was living in the northern part of the town, in a log cabin. George Knapp was living in the western part, in a similar house. Elisha Filley resided in the southeastern part of the town; he was a carpenter by trade, and built the first house in town. Elijah Wood, a farmer, was a neighbor of Mr. Filley's. David Dykes, also a farmer, lived in a log cabin in the village, and worked his farm near by. C. J. Salter had not yet completed his family residence, and was living in the boarding-house. The western part of what is now Waverly, was then the center of trade, and here Frank Starr, with George Carter, about 1840, opened the first store in the village."

About eight years after, Mr. J. A. Crane opened the second store in the place; it, like its predecessor, and all stores of its time, contained a general stock of goods, comprising every article in the catalogue of frontier necessities.

The school was opened about 1838, in the spring; the first teacher here was Mr. John F. Brooks. The post-office was kept at George Detherage's, about three-fourths of a mile west of the town. Not far from this office was the place known as "Log Range;" it was called at first "La Grange," by a daughter of one of the pioneers, who, being possessed of a romantic turn of mind, gave the latter name to her home. As it was then a log cabin, and the pioneer neighborhood filled more with the practical than the ideal, and perceiving the import of the name, gave it its broadest sound when pronouncing it. As the houses then were all cabins, the "La" soon degenerated into "Log," and "Log Range" was the result. The name "Waverly" has an equally romantic origin: Mr. James D. B. Salter, a young man in school when the town was platted, wrote to his father requesting him, if the town had not been christened, to give it the name of *Waverly*, in honor of the Waverly novels, for which he had an intense admiration. His father complied with his request, and hence the name. Mr. Watson states further, that when he came, Mr. A. Pease was living on the east side of the public square; he was a farmer, but has always resided in town. Dr. Brown's father lived in a log house on the lot now occupied by the graded school, and had a cooper and blacksmith shop near where he lived.

The families enumerated were the principal ones who were residents of Waverly until 1847. During the first decade of the town's existence, its growth was slow, being chiefly dependent on the prosperity of the school. This was a well-known institution, and had in its day a State reputation. Among its pupils were some of the most prominent men of Illinois, who remember with pride the days spent at the Waverly Seminary. The chief desire of the founders of the village, to build up a large school, was destined to fail. Other towns had more and better advantages for schools, and only a high school was ever realized here. The grant of 640 acres reverted to the original proprietors, and in time the seminary gave way to the present town schools. In 1846, Mr. J. A. Crane came to Waverly; speaking of what he saw in the village, says: "There was

one church edifice built when I came; it was the Episcopal Church, and had been used but a short time; the Congregational was organized, and was using the seminary for public service; the Methodist Episcopal Church had not yet a house of worship; the Rev. C. G. Selleck was pastor of the Congregational Church, and was also teacher in the academy. There was but one store in town, owned by Andrew and Alexander Kinkead, who had a general stock of goods. I opened a grocery, but kept almost all goods wanted by the pioneers; mine was the second store in the town. The post-office was at Appalona, at Mr. Detherage's. There were a few carpenters, a blacksmith or two, and probably one hundred and fifty inhabitants." Two years after Mr. Crane's arrival, Capt. J. W. Meacham located. During these two years, Waverly had more than doubled in inhabitants, and was doing a good business.

Captain Meacham remembers the following stores and business places in the town: A. Thayer was keeping a general store in a part of his dwelling, on the southeast part of the square; William Rhoads had a drug-store on the south side of the square, in a frame story-and-a-half building; R. H. Nelson and John A. Crane were selling dry goods, groceries, etc., in a frame building on the west side of the square; Andrew Kinkead and G. W. Garrett had a general store near Crane & Nelson; J. W. Ross and John Beatty had a small grocery and provision store on the west side of the square; Andrew Kinkead kept a small drug-store, adjoining the grocery store of Ross & Beatty; one flouring mill, in the western part of the town was in operation, run by William H. Coe; James Hutchinson was operating a carding factory, where the present flouring mill of Hutchinson Brothers & Co. is now situated; Baker Ewing had a blacksmith and wagon shop in the western part of the town, near its old business center; an old saw mill, that had been in operation several years, was still in use; James W. Manson had a blacksmith shop on the east side of the public square. "There were two churches," says the Captain, "the Congregational and the Methodist; the former was yet using the seminary for public service; the latter was then completing a house of worship; it was a frame structure, and had not yet been plastered. The Rev. Dixon was the Congregational preacher, and Rev. Joseph Wilson occupied the pulpit in the unfinished Methodist Church. The seminary was then in successful operation. Two private schools were also established; one was taught by Margaret Miller, the other by Ellen Thayer. The post-office had just been removed, and we no longer went to Appalona for mail. Stages came from Vandalia to Jacksonville twice each week, bringing letters and papers. The houses in town were generally built of frame, though in many cases the cabins were yet used. A brick store and dwelling was built about 1849, by S. C. Woods; another soon after by J. A. Crane. These were the first brick business houses in town.

"As early as 1836 or 1838, a brick yard had been started by a Mr. Tainter, from whom the brick for the seminary and Mr. C. J. Salter's residence were obtained. About 1846, Alexander Edgmon started a second brick yard, these two supplying the town. The old saw-mill was one of the early adjuncts of Waverly; it was operated by Wm. Chambers, and was started by Cook & Eastman. It was run by steam, and in its day did a good business. The public square was surrounded by a rail

fence, as late as 1846. About a year or two after, this was replaced by a plank fence; the square was cleared off, and made more attractive."

The first bank was established in 1870, by J. A. Crane, Manson & Company; they were alone in the business until 1874, when the Waverly Bank was started by Brown & Company. Each bank is doing a good business.

The village was now in active existence. A good trade with the surrounding settlers had been established; and notwithstanding the hard times, and scarcity of money, Waverly was in a fair way to become the second town in Morgan County. For the next ten years, and even until the opening of the great civil war, business increased. The patriotism of the people here, in the national conflict, was unexcelled by any town of its size. Two companies, composed entirely of men from Waverly and its vicinity, were raised, and marched to the war. In the war record of the county, published elsewhere in this volume, a history of these companies is given; from it the reader can learn each man's name, when he enlisted, what became of him, and the officers under whom he served.

After the close of the war, times were exceptionally prosperous over the entire country. Waverly shared with other towns the reaction, and an increase in trade, population, and importance, was the result. All these years it had, however, lacked that important factor of any town — a railroad. A movement for the construction of a line from the county-seat to the Chicago and Alton Road on the south, with a further southern terminus, was vigorously agitated. It resulted in the construction of the Jacksonville, Northwestern and Southeastern Railroad. It was completed in the Summer of 1871, and opened from Jacksonville to Virden, on the main line of the Alton road. The day it reached Waverly was made a gala day by the inhabitants of the town, to whom the completion of this route was no small item of interest in their prosperity. Waverly gave in private subscriptions nearly $50,000, and as a corporation, about $30,000 additional. Before the opening of the railroad, no grain was purchased here save that used in the flouring mills. In 1872, an elevator was built, and the shipment of grain began. It now averages several car loads daily. Stock yards were also constructed, and stock which formerly went to Jacksonville or Alton markets, now is shipped from Waverly. Business of all kinds increased with the opening of the railroad, and at present rivals several towns of better commercial advantages.

The government of Waverly has always been under the control of a Board of Trustees, elected annually. The town was incorporated under the general State law, and under that incorporation maintained its legal existence until April 16, 1878. The officers elected that day were: Mayor, Henry M. Miller; Clerk, J. H. Goldsmith; Treasurer, Wm. A. Hutchison; Attorney, J. W. Arnett; Aldermen, A. L. Kimber, F. H. Wemple, W. E. Meacham, B. L. Carter, N. J. Stratton, and John Haisley. By this vote of the citizens it came under the form of a city government. By the census taken then to determine the legality of this step, there were found to be over two thousand persons in the town, hence it dropped its old name of town, and is hereafter to be known as a city.

The educational advantages of Waverly have always kept pace with,

and in many seasons were much better than the commercial advantages. The seminary had an extensive reputation as a high school. The building was used for all grades of pupils, and the town schools held therein several years. Being inconvenient to all parts of the village, after the passage of the State Common School law, and the sale of the seminary in 1863, two smaller buildings were erected in town. These were used for school purposes until the completion of the present school building, in 1867. It is a commodious brick structure, capable of accommodating about two hundred pupils. A superintendent and three teachers are employed, and school is regularly sustained from six to nine months, during the year.

The town contains six churches. The Congregational was organized June 15, 1836, by J. M. Sturtevant, D.D., having but ten members at the time; they were: Cyrus Tanner, Joseph A. Tanner, Asa Eastman, Theodore E. Curtiss, Elisha S. Tanner, Mrs. Ora Tanner, Lucy Swift, Lucy Tanner, Hulda L. Tanner, and Susan E. Tanner. The Church was organized in a private house, after which the seminary was used. Rev. Elisha Jenney came in 1837, and was pastor of the church until November, 1839. The next pastor was Rev. C. G. Selleck, who came in January, 1842, and remained until November, 1845—three years. In January, 1846, the following year, Rev. Rollin Mears was installed, and resigned in 1847. Rev. Alvin M. Dixon was next chosen pastor; was installed in January, 1848, and resigned April, 1850. The following January, 1851, Rev. James Weller was installed, remaining until May, 1856, when he resigned. The installation of Rev. William D. Sanders took place in September, 1856; he was pastor of the church for over two years, resigning in March, 1858. Rev. Henry M. Tupper next supplied the pulpit; was installed January, 1859, and resigned about the year 1860.

The present pastor is Rev. Charles W. Clapp, who was installed in October, 1871; the church has a membership of about one hundred and seventy; there having been about four hundred and sixty-two persons connected with it since its organization. The congregation used the seminary until the present church was erected. It was completed early 1851, and on the 5th of February in that year was dedicated, Rev. J. M. Sturtevant preaching the dedicatory sermon.

The Baptist Church was organized August 11, 1855, with twenty-nine members, at the house of Willis E. Meacham, by Rev. J. M. Wells. For a while they held divine services in the seminary and in the Episcopal Church. The latter edifice they occupied about three years. In the Fall of 1863, they began the erection of a house of worship, which they completed in the Summer of 1866, and dedicated in June of that year. Rev. Wells was the first pastor. His successors have been the Rev's D. Ketzmiller, A. S. Denison, David Lewis, F. C. Hart, George R. Guild—under whose pastorate the church was erected—J. H. Spann, J. W. Place, J. W. Wells, M. C. Davenport, M. C. Clark, and Rev. Davenport, who is now pastor. The membership is now one hundred and twenty, more than four hundred having been connected with this church since its organization

The Episcopal Church is one of the oldest in Waverly. In 1838, Rev. Charles Dresser, of Springfield, an Episcopal clergyman, came to the town. He found a few members professing the principles of this

denomination. He at first found S. G. M. Allis and Mrs. Anna Phelps. When the church was organized — shortly after his first visit — the communicants were: Theodore Watson, Owen Maynard, Stephen G. M. Allis, Ann C. Allis, George Knapp, Susanna Knapp, Fanny Root, Anne Phelps, Sarah Ann Barker, and Sophia Watson.

Soon after the organization of this church a house of worship was erected, which is yet occupied. The congregation has at times only been able to support a regular pastor, and now sustains but an irregular ministry.

The Methodist Episcopal Church was organized about 1840. The circuit riders of this denomination were among the earliest white men in this part of Morgan County, and held services in the cabins of the settlers several years before Waverly was contemplated. Soon after the town was laid out they were here occupying the religious field; for a while they used the seminary and the Episcopal Church — built about 1845 — and in 1846, before the erection of their own house of worship. It was sufficiently finished in 1848 to accommodate a congregation, and was completed a year or two after. This house of worship they used until 1867, when, becoming too small for the growing congregation, it was sold to the Catholics. They then entered their present large brick church, which they had just completed. It was dedicated by Rev. Thomas Eddy; is the finest church in Waverly, and is well attended; the congregation is the largest in town, the present membership being two hundred and fifty.

The Catholic Church comprises a membership scattered throughout the township. Until 1867 they had no organization, though nearly twenty families of this denomination were within church-going distance of Waverly. That year, through the efforts of their leading members and the Bishop at Alton, a congregation was organized, and they purchased the Methodist house of worship. This, they they still use, supporting monthly services.

The Christian Church has been in active existence about twenty-two years. As its early records are very imperfect, but little can be learned of its history. The first minister was Rev. D. P. Henderson. The church is succeeding well at present, and sustains a regular ministry.

The Press. The *Gazette* was established in Waverly on or about the first of June, 1869, by M. J. Abbott and W. D. Pemberton; Mr. Pemberton selling his interest to Mr. Abbott in the Fall of the same year. The paper was continued by Mr. Abbott in his own name, until July, 1870, when he sold the press and material to Mr. Richard Ballenger, of Virden, who removed it to that place. In April, 1872, Mr. John H. Goldsmith purchased the press and material of Mr Ballenger, removed it back to Waverly, and on the 2d day of May, 1872, issued the first number of the Waverly *Times.* The publication of the *Times* was continued until November of the same year, when it suspended until August, 1873; then it was again resuscitated by Mr. Goldsmith, and had a short existence of only three months. On or about the first of May, 1874, Mr. W. T. Lakin purchased the *Times* material, and published fifty-two numbers — retaining the former heading — when it again suspended, Lakin leaving the press and material to fall back to the parties from whom he purchased. On the 24th day of May 1876, Mr. R. V. Mallory bought the material, and on

the 9th day of June issued the first number of *The Morgan County Journal*. On the first of December, 1876, Mr. M. M. Meacham, the present proprietor, purchased one-half interest in the paper of Mr. Mallory, and came into full possession of the office July 9, 1877.

The *Journal* has a circulation of about seven hundred, and is gradually increasing; it circulates principally among the farming communities of Morgan, Macoupin, Sangamon, Scott, and Greene Counties. It is a first-class advertising medium, now entering its third volume; neutral in politics, and is published on Saturday of each week at $1.50 per year. Milton M. Meacham is publisher and proprieter, and John H. Goldsmith, editor.

MURRAYVILLE

Is twelve miles south of Jacksonville, on the Chicago, Alton and St. Louis Railroad. It was surveyed and platted January 4th, 1858, for Samuel Murray, Esq., by Wm. McPherson, who was, at that time, county surveyor. The location of a town here first originated in the mind of Wm. Purcell, who was at the time of the building of the C. & A. Railroad one of the contractors of the road. In 1858, Mr. Purcell erected the first dwelling house in the town. The second house was built by Mr. Thomas Cunningham, who opened a grocery store in his house, the first stock of goods in the town being hauled on a wagon by Mr. John Murray, son of the founder of the town. The first building erected for a store was by James McKean, who has done much toward the building up of the town. A post-office was established here in 1859. Mr. McKean was appointed postmaster, at the same time being merchant, and depot agent. In 1859, Mr. Henry Whalen moved to Murrayville and opened a blacksmith shop, which from time to time has been enlarged. Mr. Whalen continues to follow his trade. The business of the town increasing, the railroad company built a large depot and warehouse in 1863, and soon after established a telegraph office. About this time the shipping of live stock from this place became quite an item, and Mr. Samuel Murray established yards for the better facility of loading and unloading stock. Dr. G. S. Smith, of Jacksonville—now residing in Bloomington—opened a drug-store here in 1863. He at the same time practiced his profession, and was the first physician in the place. About this time an effort was made to change the name of the town to "Iatan," and by this name it was known for some time, but its first name was the one by which it was better known and which is now retained. Geo. M. Quackenbush opened the first saddle and harness shop, in 1865, and continues in business. The first brick building here was erected by Joseph Hornbeck. The store has had different occupants. In 1867, W. D. Henry opened a drug-store and was doing a good business when his entire stock and buildings were lost by a fire which destroyed the business of the young merchant. I. G. Beadle & Son opened a dry goods store in 1865, and are still in business. Mr. C. N. McEvers, in 1873, opened, for the accommodation of the traveling public the McEvers House, which is the present hotel. In 1874, Mr. Robert McNeal opened a large agricultural implement wareroom and in connection with it a blacksmith shop. Mr. Wm. Davis, in 1867, opened a furniture and undertaking establishment, and is still doing a good business. In May, 1877, Mr. Worcester, of Greene County, opened a private

SEYMOUR HENRY, farmer and stock raiser, Sec. 9, P.O. Waverly. Mr. Seymour was born in Morgan Co. in 1838; his early life spent in the usual manner of the farmer boy; he attended the usual subscription school, where he received his preliminary education in a Webster's spelling book, his higher classical course of study being a Smith's arithmetic; arriving at manhood he united his fortunes to Miss Amanda M. Burch; by this marriage five children: Effie, Addie, Anna, John W. and Minnie E. Mr. S. now lives on his farm, comprising 145 acres. For seven years he was township trustee. Courteous to all, he makes many friends.

SEYMOUR JARRETT, farmer and stock raiser, Sec. 8, P.O. Waverly; the above named gentleman comes of a numerous and respectable family, whose sketches will be found elsewhere in this volume. Jarrett was born in Morgan Co. April, 1832, the fifth child of John and Sarah Seymour. Growing to manhood among the hardy backwoodsmen, he necessarily, in a measure, inherited their enterprise and hearty ways; in youth he wended his way to the log cabin where school was kept, and there dived deep into the mysteries of Webster's spelling book or the New Testament, and many interesting incidents are remembered by him of those merry days. In 1854 he married Miss Hannah Sturgis; by this marriage four children, two of whom are living, Henry and Wilburn. In August, 1861, Mrs. Seymour died, and was laid at rest in Providence Cemetery. In 1863 he married Miss Emeline McCurley, daughter of Ezekel McCurley; five children: Charles, Elizabeth, Julia, Minnie, and Thomas

Sharp Edward, blacksmith, Waverly

Sharp John F. blacksmith, Waverly

Sharp Samuel, painter, Waverly

Shores Gideon, renter, P.O. Waverly

Short John, farmer, Sec.29, P.O. Waverly

Sidwell George, renter, P.O. Waverly

SIMS AUSTIN, a resident of Morgan Co. for over half a century, was born in South Carolina Sept. 6, 1790. His father, also named Austin, was a native of North Carolina, and there married Miss Nancy Farmer; of twelve children born of this marriage, the subject of this sketch was the third child; in his ninth year his parents moved to Kentucky, where he married, in 1810, Miss Jennie Nevins, a native of Kentucky, and a daughter of Robert Nevins; in 1817, accompanied by his wife and two children, he made his way to Madison Co., Ill., where he remained a resident ten years, when he moved to Morgan Co., then in its infancy, and where the pioneer worked hard for the absolute necessities of life. The first wife of Mr. S. died in Morgan Co. Oct. 22, 1851; by this marriage six children grown to maturity: Silas, Elizabeth, John, Robert, Joel H., and Mary. March 6, 1853 Mr. S. was married to Miss Patsy Anderson, who has resided in Morgan Co. fifty-two years. We here append a short biography of Robert Sims, fourth child of Austin, who is well remembered by the citizens of this county for his many good qualities of mind and heart; born in Madison Co., Ill., in 1823, he grew up in Morgan Co., where his parents moved in 1827; he there united his fortunes to Miss Amanda Campbell, a daughter of Wm. Campbell; by this marriage two children: William, born in 1848 (married Miss Harriet R. Allen, a daughter of Thomas B. Allen, of Macoupin Co.; three children, Robert and Edward, living), John J., a patron of this work, was born April 22, 1850, and married, in 1872, Miss Martha Alderson; two children, Albert and Henry. Austin Sims, whose name heads this sketch, is a living witness of the vast changes made in Illinois, has spent fifty-six years of his life in the ministry, and is widely known for his many Christian virtues. Robert Sims died Jan. 15, 1851

Sitton James, renter, P.O. Waverly

Slattery Mary, wid. John, Waverly

Slattery John, farmer, Waverly

Slaven George W. farmer, Sec. 8, P.O. Waverly

Smedley Thomas B. grocer, Waverly

SMETTERS M. farmer and stock raiser, Sec. 12, P.O. Waverly. Mr. Smetters was the second child of Daniel and Maria Smetters, natives of Pennsylvania; he was born in Fairfield Co., Ohio, during the early settlement of that State, where they remained for many years; in 1843 the family settled in Morgan Co. where they remained seven years, and then moved to Sangamon Co., settling at Island Grove;

one year later he moved to Lick Creek, where he died in 1862; here also were passed the last days of his wife, who died in 1872. Michael, who heads this sketch and who became prominent as a farmer, in Lavini township, Sangamon Co., like many of our enterprising western men, commenced life with but few advantages. The first money he saved as a farm laborer, at nine dollars per month; he thus spent about three years, then renting four years, at the end of that time he made a purchase of eighty acres; here he made his home until his removal to Morgan Co., the farm property bought in Sangamon Co. consisting of 240 acres of valuable land. In closing this brief sketch, we can say of Mr. S. personally, that, as an honest man, he stands high in the estimation of his many friends. March 7, 1867, he was united in marriage to Miss Nancy A., daughter of John and Jane (Lockridge) McCormick, by whom he has three children: John L. born July 16, 1870; Samuel T. born Sept. 12, 1872; and Noah M. born 1877. Mrs. S. is a lady of refinement and liberally educated, and for twelve years prior to marriage taught school, for many years near Waverly; the ancestry of Mrs. Smetters were McCormicks; her grandfather, James McCormick, was a gunsmith during the Revolution, and among the first settlers of Kentucky; Mr. Smetters is the owner of a handsome residence near Waverly, where he now lives

Smith James, renter, Sec. 20, P.O. Waverly

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SPRAGUE J. B. physician and surgeon, Waverly; special attention paid to the cure of chronic diseases

Staples Emily, wid. William, Waverly

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STICE ANDREW J. farmer and school teacher; the subject of this sketch is the oldest son of James P. and Nancy H. Stice, whose maiden name was Conlee, the daughter of Isaac Conlee, one of the pioneer ministers of this county; James P. Stice, the father of Andrew, was born Nov. 10, 1826, in Morgan County, near Jacksonville, when it contained but a few cabins; he married in this county, about 1848; Andrew, who heads this sketch, was born in Morgan County, May 23, 1852; he received a liberal education; in his twenty-third year he married Miss Elizabeth J. Wood, a daughter of David Wood, and the granddaughter of Hon. Samuel J. Wood; for several years Mr. Stice during the winter has been employed as teacher of district schools; during the summer follows farming; two children: Bertha E., born August 8, 1876; Albert C., born Jan. 25, 1877

STICE J. PERRY, farmer and stock raiser, Sec. 22, P.O. Waverly; the subject of this sketch was born in Morgan County Dec. 15, 1830; fourth child of Andrew and Nancy Stice, natives of Illinois, who removed from Jersey County to Morgan County, in 1828, where the head of the family entered land from the government, near Jacksonville, and located on the farm now owned by J. H. Miller; the old people passed the remainder of their lives in Morgan County; Andrew died Jan. 31, 1855; Nancy, his wife, died October 31, 1860; J. Perry, who heads this sketch, and who has grown from boyhood to manhood in Morgan County, received his education in subscription schools, wending his way to a rude, low roofed cabin, after attending a higher branch of studies in Waverly. Having the confidence of the community in which he lives, he has held numerous offices; in 1852, he married Miss E. J. Reynolds, a daughter of Joseph Reynolds; eight children, five are living: Charles A., born May 9, 1858, Emma, born June 3, 1852, George W., born Jan. 16, 1864, Ida B., born Feb. 6, 1870, James O., born Aug. 27, 1872

Stice A. P. farmer, Sec. 15, P.O. Waverly

STICE W. B. farmer and stock raiser, Sec. 21, P.O. Waverly; born in Morgan County, April 16, 1838; his father, Andrew Stice, was born in Kentucky, May 26, 1803; he married in his nineteenth year, in Kentucky, Miss Nancy Armstrong; in an early day he moved to Illinois, and settled in the vicinity of Jacksonville, on government

purchase was made, Mr. Coates has put in many days of hard labor; possessed of that energetic disposition that characterizes the English farmer, his venture in America proved successful; he now owns 210 acres of well improved land; on coming to America, he had nothing comparatively speaking, and his success for one who is still in the prime of life, speaks well for his enterprise

Cole Edward, farm hand, P.O. Jacksonville

CONKLE MICHAEL, farmer and stock raiser, Sec. 6, P.O. Jacksonville. Third child of Henry and Mary Conkle, who were natives of Pennsylvania; afterward moved to Ohio, and were there married; for many years Henry Conkle followed the occupation of farmer and teaming, near Lancaster, Fairfield County, Ohio, where Michael was born, Oct. 7, 1830; in 1843 the family moved westward, and located near Jacksonville, Ill., Morgan County, where the old people passed the remainder of their days; for seven years Michael worked for Rufus Calif, a prominent farmer in Piatt County, an extensive cattle dealer; while here was principally engaged in cattle buying, and trading in cattle; for many years he became associated in cattle speculations with John T. Alexander, and afterward with his sons; For Mr. M. F. Woods he also shipped cattle to New York, having made arrangements with the well known A. M. Allerton of New York city, and H. M. Staly, of Morgan County; becoming quite successful in 1866, he leased over one thousand acres of land from Gates, Strawn and David, and also continued his cattle speculations; he of course met with reverses, but was a shrewd buyer, and universally succeeded in his ventures; in 1871 he was married to Miss Sarah Parsley, daughter of William J. and Elizabeth Parsley, natives of Tennessee; in 1876 he purchased the estate of Robert Morrison, where he now resides; the property comprises two hundred and sixty-five acres, on which was erected by Mr. Morrison, a beautiful residence; children: Luada and Jenny

Conlee Alvan, farmer, P.O. Pisgah

Conlee Whitfield, farmer and stock raiser, Sec. 16, P.O. Pisgah

Connolly Arsula, Sec. 10, P.O. Jacksonville

COONS J. M. The subject of this sketch was born in Morgan County, Illinois, near the city of Jacksonville, on the 13th day of November, 1835; he is the eldest son of Joseph Coons, who was born in the State of Ohio, Hamilton County, near the city of Cincinnati, on the 19th day of February, 1807; was raised in and remained near the same place (was married to Miss Sophia McCullough, on the 22d day of May, 1832) until the year 1834, when he came to the State of Illinois; stopped for a short time near Jacksonville; from there (in the year 1836) he moved to Macoupin County, Illinois; entered land three miles northeast of Scottville, is still living on the same place, and is still enjoying good health; can say what but few men of his age can say: he has raised a family of nine children, the oldest now forty-five, and the youngest twenty-three years of age, without the loss of one; five daughters and four sons. The subject of this sketch was raised on the above named farm in Macoupin County, Illinois, and living in what was then a new country, did not have the advantages of an early education; but being a lover of books he made considerable progress in his studies, and when about eighteen years old he applied himself diligently to procure a liberal education; being then old enough to see and appreciate the same, he soon qualified himself for teaching, which occupation he followed successfully for about four years; in the Fall of 1858, he went to Ohio to visit relatives, and while there again applied himself to school; in the Spring of 1859, he graduated from R. S. Bacon's commercial college, of Cincinnati; in the fall of the same year he returned to Illinois, and again taught school; was married to Miss Lucinda Smith (second daughter of Elder Samuel Smith, of Macoupin County, Illinois), on the 22d of February, 1860; after marriage followed farming until 1866, when he came to Franklin, Morgan County, Illinois; went into the milling business, which occupation he followed until the Spring of 1876, when he went into the business he now follows, to-wit: dealer in groceries, drugs, hardware, tobacco, cigars, notions, etc., etc.; Mr. and Mrs. Coons have had six children, four living: Lullie Alice, twelve years old;

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Mr. Covey has always borne the reputation of being an honorable, conscientious, and upright citizen. His judgment is much in request by his neighbors. Mrs. Covey is a communicant of the Baptist Church.

SARAH (SAMPLE) CLARK, relict of William C. Clark, is one of the early settlers of this county, and is now enjoying the fruits of her early hardships. Her husband was a native of Athens, Ohio, and was born Oct. 6, 1818. He came to Menard County, Ill., in 1845, where he worked by the month, and in 1846 came to Morgan County and worked by the month for a Mr. Warner, for four years. He then married Sarah Jane Sample, on Feb. 6, 1851. She died July 6 of the same year. He remained unmarried until Feb. 26, 1852, when he again was united in marriage, this time with the subject of this sketch. He first purchased eighty acres of land, and at different times made additions to the original tract, until at the time of his death, which occurred July 13, 1882, he owned 290 acres of well-cultivated land, and upon which were erected buildings in keeping with this fine farm. His people were originally from Holland. His grandfather was one of the signers of the Declaration of Independence. His mother traced her ancestry to Germany. Mr. Clark was one of nine children, a record of whom follows: Ruth married Joseph Meyers; he is deceased. They had ten children, six of whom are living. Elizabeth married Carl C. Shawen, who now resides on Mrs. Clark's farm as a tenant. They have five children. Winnie married Hubert Cox, of this county.

In the family of Mrs. Clark's parents there were ten children, seven of whom are living. The names of all the children are as follows: Nancy, Valentine, Elizabeth, Andrew J., Martha, Mary, Washington, Lydia, Lucinda, and Sarah. Nancy married John Taylor, of Madison County, Ill., and is now living in Nebraska; Valentine (deceased), married Jane Taylor, of Madison County; she is now living in Hardin County, Ill., with her husband, Andrew J. Sample. Martha married M. Morris. They are now living in this county, and have seven children—Jacob, John, Allen, Margaret, Mary, Nora, and Solomon; Mary (deceased), married William Cullwell, of Morgan County, and had three children —Lydia, Julia, and Amelia; Lydia married John W. Thomas and is now living in Dallas, Tex., on a stock ranch. They have four children—Allen, Ethel, Henry, and an infant. Washington married Ann Sample (deceased), by whom he had one child, William. He married again, this time to Mary A. Miller, of this county. Lucinda (deceased), married William Kidd, and is now living in Scott County. They have one child, John William.

William C. Clark, the husband of the subject of this sketch, was on the list of the good citizens of this county, always ready and willing to help those who were less fortunate than he. He was a man highly esteemed by his neighbors, and a kind and affectionate husband. Socially he was a member of the Masonic fraternity, and also of the Odd Fellows. Politically, he was a Whig, while that party was in existence, but gravitated into the Republican party, whose principles he earnestly espoused.

Mrs. Clark has earned the unalloyed respect of all her neighbors, and is fully entitled to it. She is a member of the Baptist Church. Elizabeth, a sister of Mrs. Clark, first married Leander Thomas, who was killed by a cyclone in Morgan County, and is now the wife of John M. Conlee, and resides in Macoupin County, Ill.

WILLIAM M. CORINGTON, a native of Morgan County, is a worthy descendant of one of its highly respected pioneer families. He owns a part of the farm that his paternal grandfather developed from the wild, uncultivated prairies of the part of the county embraced in township 16, range 9, his homestead being finely lo-

was born in Lennox, Harrison Co., N. Y., Oct. 30, 1810, and in 1836 the family came to Illinois and settled in Griggsville, Pike County, where the parents spent the remainder of their lives. Mr. Bachelor was born in Worcester County, Mass., whence he removed in his youth to New York State. He was reared on a farm, but being considerable of a genius, learned millwrighting and the trade of a machinist, which he followed thereafter. To him and his good wife there were born six children, the eldest of whom, a son, John C., died at the age of twenty years. David died near Portland, Oregon; Mary A. is a resident of Santa Cruz, Cal.; Maria, (Mrs. Holiday) is the next in order of birth; Laura died in Pike County, this State; Emily Jane is a resident of Murphysborough, Ill.

Dr. Holiday after his marriage with Miss Bachelor located in Greenfield, Ill., and three years later came to this county, establishing himself at Appalona, near Waverly. Two years later he removed into the latter village, and died on the 22d of February, 1859. Of his last marriage there were born three children: Walter C. resides near Winchester in Scott County; Maria C., the wife of our subject; Rachel is the wife of of B. F. Keplinger, of Waverly. As a physician, Dr. Holiday was careful and conscientious, and as a citizen, was held in high esteem and in religious matters, was a member in good standing in the Methodist Episcopal Church.

WILLIAM T. SPIRES, Sr., was born in Lincoln County, Ky., Dec. 26, 1822, and received his education in the common schools of the country. His father, John Spires, is a native of North Carolina, and was born in 1798. He came to Lincoln County, Ky., in an early day. Just after he became of age he married Susan Leach, whose people came from Virginia. The father and mother of William T. Spires trace their ancestry back to Ireland and Germany. In their family there were ten children, eight of whom are living, and whose records are herewith given: Phebe I. married Allen Connolly, and is deceased; they had two children, one of whom is also deceased. Sarah P. married Allen Connolly; they had five children—Sarah A., John A., Sylvester, George and Harvy. John R. married Sarah Weller, of Macoupin County, Ill.; they are farming in Sangamon County, Ill., and have three children—Jennie, Mollie and Annie. James married Agnes Seymour, whom he left a widow with three children—George, Mattie and Albert. Annie married Edward Seymour, a farmer of Morgan County; their children are: Sylvester, Sarah, Nettie, James and Oliver M. Harvey married Sarah A. Stice, and they reside on the John Spires homestead; they have four children—Lillie, Edward, Marion and Otto. Mary married William Olford, of Macoupin County, and they have three children—Lela, Charles, and an infant.

William T. Spires, of whom we write, married Margaret Reed, in 1844. Mrs. Spires' parents were pioneers, having emigrated to Morgan County in 1830. They have ten children, as follows: John M., William T., Sarah M., Martha H., Mary S., Margaret J., Julia C., Emma, Marinda and Matilda. John M. married Mary A. Niece, of Sangamon County; he is a locomotive engineer, living at Peoria, Ill. William T. married Maria Deere; they are farming in Morgan County, and are the parents of two children—Charles and Carrie. Sarah Ann married Abraham Seymour, a farmer of this county; they have one child, Lillie, who married Benjamin F. Morrow, of Greene County, Ill. Martha H. married James P. Storey, who is a farmer and school teacher of this county; they have three children—Hattie, Charles and Curtis. Mary S. married Isah Whitlock, who is also a farmer and teacher of Morgan County; they have five children—Lulu, Ewen, Bert, Bertha and Grover C. Margaret J. married Marion Cline, of Ohio, and they are living in Harper County, Kan., with their three children—Silvia, Zulu and Marvin. Julia C. married S. Douglas Whitlock, a farmer of this county. Emma married John C. Smith, a merchant of Springfield, Ill., and they have three children—Grace, Marvin and Roy D. Marinda married Z. D. Morrow, a jeweler of Springfield. Matilda married Charles Wood, a farmer of Greene County; they have two children, Forrest and Roy.

Like all pioneers of this country William T. Spires began the unequal battle of life without other resources than health and hope. By persist-

ent and intelligent work he accomplished his desire, that of being an independent farmer. After his marriage he purchased the homestead upon which they now live, being then only partially improved, and containing 130 acres of land and a small house. Now he owns 200 acres of land that is in the best state of cultivation, and beside erecting splendid buildings he has assisted his children to start in life. He is now living retired, and is resting from the labors of a well-spent life, while his son manages the farm.

This family are consistent members of the Baptist Church. Mr. Spires is a member of the I. O. O. F. Politically, he has been a sound Democrat since he arrived at the voting age, but has held no office, neither does he take any particular interest in politics, except what every good citizen should.

FRED B. RITCHIE. The Waverly *Journal* has been under the editorial and proprietary control of this gentleman since the 1st of January, 1885, and has become fully established as the favorite local newspaper of this section. It is specially devoted to the interests of Morgan County, and enjoys a circulation which is steadily increasing. Mr. Ritchie is a gentleman in the prime of life, and a native of the Prairie State, having been born in Carrollton, Greene County, March 18, 1848. His parents were John H. and Mary (Kirgan) Ritchie, natives respectively of New York City and Lexington, Ky.

John Ritchie, the paternal grandfather of our subject, was born in Edinburg, Scotland, where he was reared to man's estate and apprenticed to the trade of a stone-cutter. He was also married there, and some time afterward emigrated to New York City, where he met his death by falling from a building. He left two sons—John and James. The latter settled in New Hampshire, where he engaged in farming pursuits, and probably spent the remainder of his life. The other son, John, the father of our subject, likewise learned the trade of of a stone-cutter, which he followed in New York City and Boston until coming to Illinois. Here he first located in Pike County among its earliest pioneers. Later he removed to Greene County, and next to Macoupin, where he resided until the fall of 1887. He then changed his residence to Moberly, Mo., where he is now living and engaged in the hotel business.

The father of our subject was first married in New York City to Miss Margaret Wilson, who accompanied him to the West, and died in Pike County, this State, leaving three children. The eldest of these, a daughter, Elizabeth, became the wife of Erastus Eldred, and died in Macoupin County, where also a younger sister died, named Emma. Amanda became the wife of Thomas J. Arnold, of New York City, and is deceased.

The elder Ritchie was a second time married in Carrollton, Ill., to Miss Mary Kirgan, who was born in Kentucky, and was the daughter of Benjamin Kirgan. This union resulted in the birth of two children—Fred B. and Julia, the latter of whom is now living with her father. Fred B., our subject, pursued his studies in the common schools until a youth of sixteen years, then he entered a printing-office at Virden, where he learned his trade. Later advancing, he was employed as local editor in Greenfield and other places until coming to this county. In Greenfield he was married, Sept. 19, 1872, to Miss Sarah, daughter of Hiram and Vianner (McLaughlin) Holiday. Mrs. Ritchie was born in Greenfield, Ill., in 1848, acquired a common-school education, and remained a member of the parental household until her marriage. She is now the mother of one child, John, who was born July 9, 1873.

Mr. Ritchie, politically, is a sound Democrat, and an earnest worker for his party, frequently serving as a delegate to the county and district conventions. He occupies with his family a pleasant home in the west part of town. Mrs. Ritchie is a member of the Congregational Church.

AUGUSTINE A. CURTISS. The young man glancing fifty years ahead into the future esteems it a long period of time in the life of an individual, but at the end of this time, in looking back, it invariably appears

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